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Board Of Visitors Saves The Name

University Of Mary Washington Chosen As The New Name

By CONOR REILLY
Editor-In-Chief

In a densely packed Red Room on Saturday morning, President Bill Anderson delivered his recommendation to the Board of Visitors, with a group of anxious students and alumni looking on.

"We are making a decision today that will unfold a university that will already be noticed," he said. "My recommendation is that, reflecting on all the information, we move forward with the name University of Mary Washington."

After little discussion, the BOV decided unanimously on University of Mary Washington as the new umbrella name for Mary Washington College and the James Monroe Center. The name was one of two passed on by the Image and University Name Committee, which voted 10 to nine that their first preference for the new name be Washington and Monroe University at their Nov. 18 meeting.

The new name must receive state approval and will be presented to the Virginia General Assembly in late January or early February. If passed through the legislature, the new name will take effect on July 1, 2004.

The college is also going to identify approximately \$100,000 out of private donations in order to fund the name change, according to Rick Hurley, executive vice president and chief financial officer for the college. This money will go to replace or change road signs, the college's Web site and other items.

The students, administrators and faculty present applauded the decision at the close of the meeting.

"I am ecstatic," said Kristen Orstead, student government president and voting member on the BOV. Senior Jennifer Hammond echoed the elation.

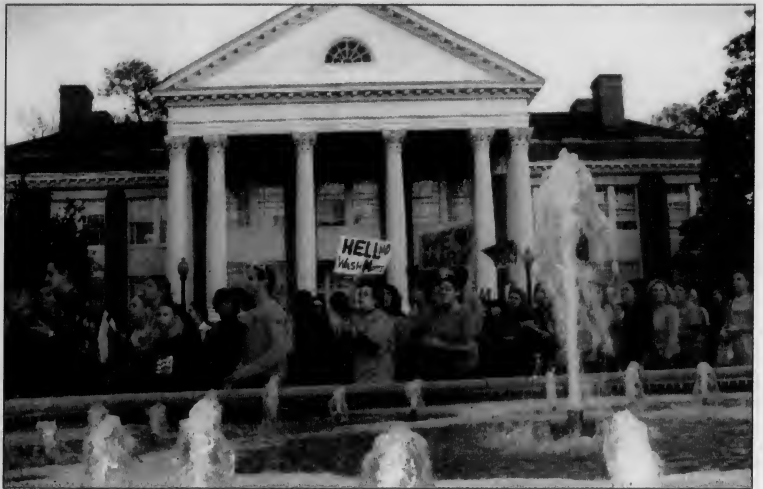
"I'm very pleased about the decision," she said. "I'm glad that student voices were finally heard."

Faculty Senate president and professor of computer science Ernest Ackermann said that the primary concern of the faculty senate was to see that Mary Washington remained in the name.

"I'm really happy to see that Mary Washington was considered prominently," he said.

Dori Eglevsky, the rector for the Board of Visitors,

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Mary Washington College supporters march down campus walk in a rally to "Save the Name."

Students March To Save The Name

By LYNNE COREY
Staff Writer

Who's the bomb? George's Mom. Who's a pimp? President Bill Anderson. Mayo Carter, a local social studies teacher and Mary Washington College alumna described Anderson as a pimp to a crowd of several hundred at the save the name rally.

Mary Washington College students, alumni, teachers and residents of Fredericksburg gathered in protest with signs and cheers in front of George Washington Hall on Nov. 21.

The crowd was especially angry that the Mary Washington College Image and University Name Committee recommended Washington and Monroe University to the Board of Visitors.

The committee chose Washington and Monroe University as its top choice on Tuesday Nov. 18, when the name won in a 10 to nine vote. Nine committee members picked University of Mary Washington as

their top choice.

Carter said Anderson is selling out Mary Washington with his name change, with his only interest in marketing the school, which in her opinion makes Anderson a pimp.

She also said Mary Washington was a woman of importance in her time.

"All of the great men and politicians were wise enough to know that you never came to Fredericksburg without stopping and paying a call to George's mother," Carter said. "Not to do so would have been a horrendous social faux pas. It would have destroyed their careers as we know them."

Carter was one of the five community speakers at the event. Leading the event was Steve Watkins, associate professor of English at the college.

Watkins motivated the crowd with his cheers, including "Who's the bomb? George's Mom," and "Hell no, Wash Monroe." Watkins also printed and sold "Save the Name" tee-shirts.

According to Watkins, there have been

145 letters and e-mails sent to the administration. Ninety-three percent of these letters support Mary Washington College as a university or Mary Washington University. Only two letters supported Washington and Monroe.

A Student Government Association survey reported 1,152 out of 1,275 students chose Mary Washington University. Ninety-one students chose Washington and Monroe.

The rally began with the school's alma mater sung by female choir BellaCappella. The first speaker in support of Mary Washington University was Gale Macleod, a 1971 alumna, and founder of Macleod Consulting Services.

She said the facts show that the students, alumni and community and even the James Monroe Center support Mary Washington University.

"If [the board of visitors does not] make the right decision we are going to have to

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A Study From A to Zzzz's

By JULIA HOFFMAN
Staff Writer

Senior Pamela Jones stayed up until 4 a.m. one Thursday studying for an 8 a.m. psychology test. She was so exhausted she didn't hear her alarm go off that morning.

"I woke up at 8:40 and had to run over to Combs," she said. "Then I had about 20 minutes left to take the test."

Jones didn't do poorly on the exam, but didn't achieve the A grade she received on her first test, when she got a good seven hours sleep beforehand.

A study from the University of Chicago, published Oct. 9, discourages staying up all night, saying sleep boosts the ability to learn language.

The study, done by researchers Kimberly Fenn, Howard Nusbaum and Daniel Margoliash, of the University of Chicago, provided scientific evidence for a long-lived hypothesis that sleep has an impact on learning.

"Sleep is essential for protecting them against subsequent interference for decay," the authors wrote. "Sleep also appears to 'recover' or restore memories."

According to a 2000 study by Pierre Maquet, rapid eye movement, a latter stage of sleep where dreams occur, may

be essential to skill-building.

The University of Chicago study tested 84 college students on their ability to recognize a series of common words from a voice synthesizer. First the students were asked to try to recognize the words and then were trained on how to do so. After the training the students were tested again.

Training and testing were done in two groups: one group was trained at 9 a.m. then tested at 9 p.m. and the second group was trained at 9 p.m. and tested at 9 a.m. According to the study, the group that had a good night's sleep between the training and testing improved 19 percent from their pre-test score, while the first group lost some of their learning during the day and only improved by 10 percent.

Even though the study deals with word-learning, the authors said findings may be relevant to other learning.

Barbara Wagar, director of psychological services, said getting a good night's sleep is essential in college life and getting the proper amount of sleep before a test is the best way to prepare. She explained the consequences of staying up.

"By the time you take the test, you'll

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King Of Klingon Speaks

By LAUREN DeANGELIS
Features Editor

When Associate Professor of English and Linguistics Judith Parker introduced linguist Marc Okrand for a lecture on his creation of the Klingon language from the popular "Star Trek" movies, she commented on his large fan base.

"He has fans all over this planet, and I expect he has fans on planets that we don't know about," she said.

On Oct. 18, Okrand spoke to a full house of about 250 people in Lee Hall Ballroom about the process of creating an entirely fictional, but linguistically sound, alien language. Sponsored by the Department of English, Linguistics and Speech and the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, the lecture, entitled "Language and Science Fiction: The Case of Klingon," was the third installment in the Linguistics Speaker Series.

Klingon, according to Okrand, is an alien language first mentioned in the original "Star Trek" TV series. The show featured Klingon villains with character names based on English sounds and syllables, but no other Klingon words. For the first

movie, "Star Trek: The Motion Picture" (1979), Paramount Pictures hired a UCLA professor to make up sounds for some Klingon as well as another alien language called Vulcan. They dubbed the new sounds over the actors, who were speaking in English.

Okrand came on the scene for the second movie, "Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan" (1982), which also featured very little Vulcan. He used the same lip-synch approach, but was not concerned with grammar because there was so little of the language featured.

The third installment in the movie series, "Star Trek III: The Search for Spock" (1984), required



Marc Okrand, inventor of the Klingon language, spoke in Lee Hall Ballroom.

Okrand to develop a full-fledged language.

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5 Day Forecast



TODAY
Mostly Sunny
High: 45
Low: 30



FRIDAY
Light Rain/Sleet
High: 38
Low: 32



SATURDAY
Rain/Snow/Wind
High: 40
Low: 30



SUNDAY
Few Snow Showers
High: 37
Low: 31



MONDAY
Partly Cloudy
High: 44
Low: 25

Verbatim ...

"Please do not underestimate the intelligence of your audience, Mr. Watkins."

-Patricia Tyler, senior, page 12



Police Beat

By ADINA YOUNG
Staff Writer



Nov. 17—At 9 p.m., the Fredericksburg Police Department notified campus police of a missing person. The missing 88-year-old male, of Orange County, and his wife were attending a music rehearsal in Pollard Hall, campus police said. The wife said her husband was known to wander. At 5:36 a.m., the Stafford County Police Department located a man fitting the description in an optometrist's office. The door was unlocked and the man slept there for the night. When an employee opened up the office the next day, he discovered the man and called the police. The man was reunited with his wife.

Nov. 18—At 11:15 a.m., a 20-year-old female student reported two items stolen from her vehicle parked in the Simpson parking lot, campus police said. The items stolen were a Puma sweatshirt and an Easy Pass toll card. The student was not sure if she locked her vehicle. Her toll card has been cancelled and the case is under investigation.

Nov. 21—At 2:29 a.m., campus police were notified of a student trespassing in Mason Hall. The 19-year-old male commuter student was banned from all residence halls, campus police said. When campus police

arrived, the student was found to be intoxicated. When an officer attempted to talk with him, the student ran out of the door of Mason Hall, towards Russell Hall, then rolled down the embankment. The officer approached him and found him to be unconscious. The student was transported to Mary Washington Hospital. The officer found the driver's license of someone else who looked similar to the student as well as his own license. After the student was released from the hospital, he was arrested on charges of obstruction of justice, trespassing and possession of a false driver's license. The student was referred to the administration.

Nov. 24—At 8:29 a.m., a faculty member reported her vehicle struck between Nov. 21 and Nov. 24, while it was parked on Double Drive. Damage is estimated at \$950, campus police said. The case is under investigation.

Nov. 24—At 5:30 p.m., a 19-year-old male resident of Russell Hall reported his lap top stolen from his room between 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. The room was not locked. The Dell Latitude lap top is valued at \$2,500, campus police said. The case is under investigation.

Sleep Study Results Revealed

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be exhausted and won't be able to concentrate," she said. "What you do know will be harder to remember. You don't get much out of studying that way."

Wagar suggested studying an hour a day, six days prior to the test, rather than six hours the night before. She said the recommended amount of sleep for college-aged students is seven to nine hours a night.

Sometimes the work load can't be split up, according to students juggling many classes, and they don't always see staying up late as a problem. Late one Tuesday night, senior Lexi Pappas needed to write a midterm paper due the next afternoon. She started her paper and finished it the next morning. She never went to bed.

"I was really, really awake the next day," Pappas said. "It was kinda scary. I felt more wired than when I get eight or more hours of sleep."

Pappas, a full-time student, member of the Judicial Review Board and Head Resident of Randolph Hall, said she doesn't always have time to spend out work and sleep is a second priority.

As for feeling more awake after having a

sleepless night, Wagar said this is only temporary.

"Certainly, if you stay up all night and then go to an a.m. class you might feel better, for a little while, than if you went to bed at four and got up at six," Wagar said. "A couple hours sleep might make you feel groggy than just staying awake, but probably not for long."

Students said they need a certain amount of sleep every night in order to be functional.

"I need my sleep or else I'm the biggest bitch in the world," said junior Erin Briesnyak. "You don't want to cross my path."

Briesnyak said she gets all her work done ahead of time and is in bed by midnight.

Some students, like sophomore Addie Bryant, said they never consider staying up all night.

"I sleep a lot," Bryant said. "For me, it's important to get all the sleep I can."

Students said sometimes it's necessary to stay up and get the work done, even when they know it's not the most ideal situation. Even Assistant Professor of Biology John Temple said he experienced some all-nighters during his college days.

"My own experience with all-night cramming for tests is that it is not effective," Temple said. "I tried it only a few times in college with little success."

University of Mary Wash

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voted for University of Mary Washington as both a member of the Image and University Name Committee and as a board member. She said it was important for the college to go forward with this name together.

"I really am delighted because I think we have built a reputation of quality on that name," she said.

Alumna Catherine Cogut, class of 1998, said she was pleased with the decision.

"I'm glad they kept the name Mary as opposed to the name presented by the committee," she said. "I'm very satisfied with [the name]."

Others felt the name "Mary Washington" might cause setbacks at the college.

"I'm disappointed with the decision of the board," Roy

Gordon, professor of athletics, health and physical education and men's soccer coach said. "But they made the decision that they felt was in the best interest of the school."

Brenda Vogel, professor and director of teacher education programs at the James Monroe Center said that, while keeping Mary Washington in the name was not a loss, it may adversely affect the James Monroe Center.

"It doesn't help the James Monroe Center," she said. "I think we will have to work a little harder now."

But the decision also raised questions regarding the new name.

Earlier in the year, the University Image and Name Committee did not consider University of Mary Washington as a possible name.

At the final meeting, though, the committee decided to remove Mary Washington University from consideration.

Senior Stephanie Booth said, "I think there should be more consideration given to the phrasing."

Ackerman agreed.

"I like the name Mary Washington University much better," he said. "I don't know of any other place that's the university of a person."

Board member and alumna Margaret Moncreur said at the meeting, "I would much prefer Mary Washington University. I would

not be as happy to support University of Mary Washington, but I am likely to."

She added that she thought the BOV needed to be united when they brought their decision to the General Assembly.

Others thought the phrasing of the name will place the college in a special category among universities.

Hurley said, "I like the uniqueness of having 'university' first."

He also said having university up front will place Mary Washington alphabetically among well-known higher learning institutions like University of Virginia.

Kathleen Mehford, alumna and president of the Image and Name Committee presented the various data given to the committee over the years.

In 1997, when the college began to look at going to university status, a survey of prospective students showed that 24 percent of those surveyed liked Mary Washington University best, while 23 percent liked Washington and Monroe.

Of 755 respondents to an alumni survey issued in 2002, 66 percent were in favor of Mary Washington University.

Also, 51 percent were strongly opposed to Washington and Monroe University.

James Monroe Center students were also polled. Of 194 students, 66 percent felt that Mary Washington University was a favorable name, while 41 percent thought Washington and Monroe was favorable.

An informal survey administered by the Student Government Association said 91 percent of almost 1,500 Mary Washington College students voted for Mary Washington University.

The survey also included an option to write in a name. Mehford said 64 students chose to write in University of Mary Washington.

Mehford also said as the president of the committee, she voted for University of Mary Washington to be the new name.

She explained why the Image and University Name Committee was split in their voting.

"The committee recognized the conflict between wanting a good name for the future and having Mary Washington in the name," she said.

Klingon Talk: "Hab SoSI' Quch!"

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"My task was to come up with this real language for them to speak," he said. "I had to match the Klingon in 'Star Trek: The Motion Picture.' The script from 'Star Trek III' said the language also had to be guttural, and once again it had to be teachable or learnable by the actors."

The goal, Okrand said, was to make a non-human language. To do this, he decided he had to violate the rules of human languages. This included using very few human language tendencies, such as certain patterned sounds and grammatical structures.

"The whole point is that it shouldn't go together," he said.

For example, in making up vowel, and consonant sounds for Klingon, Okrand avoided any that were very common in English, such as the "s" sound. He explained why Klingon also does not have equivalents to the English "z" or "k" sounds.

"There is no 'z' because that's a real common, science-fiction bad-guy sound," he said. "There is no 'k' for the same reason."

Okrand gave examples of previous "k" names in science fiction, which included villain characters from "The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," King Kong, Superman's Krypton, and even the aliens Kang and Kodos from "The Simpsons."

As another way of making Klingon as far from human languages as possible, Okrand manipulated word order. According to Okrand, the subject-verb-object structure in English is one of the most common of all languages in the world.

For Klingon, Okrand took the least common construction, which happens to be the exact opposite of English, object-verb-subject. Okrand also said there is no indicator of tenses in Klingon.

Okrand went on to devise dialogue and coach actors in Klingon for "Star Trek V: The Final Frontier" (1989) and "Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country" (1991).

Okrand spoke of what may happen when a new language or sounds are not developed for aliens in a movie. He gave as an example an urban myth about "Return of the Jedi" of the Star Wars trilogy, in which the writers used an obscure language that few people would recognize.

"The [character] apparently talks in some

strange language with very strange kinds of syllables," he said. "The [character] is speaking in the Niger-Congo language, which is spoken in Tanzania or Kenya. So when the movie showed over there they obviously recognized it. So what he was saying is about 'Your elephants are standing on my feet.'"

Okrand talked about pitfalls that also occurred with his Klingon language during the process of making the film. He said the actors would make so many mistakes in their Klingon that he began to simply

accommodate the language to their mistakes rather than ask them to re-shoot the dialogue.

"[T h e director] would ask me at the end of every shoot, 'Did the 'k' sound right?' he said. 'If they just made a little mistake, I made a note of it. The language changed as we were filming the thing.'"

After "Star Trek III," Okrand published the "Klingon Dictionary," which includes definitions for the then 2,000 words in the language

and instructions on grammar. Since then the language has developed a massive following of die-hard "Star Trek" fans and linguistics enthusiasts. Popular Web Sites include famous Klingon sayings and insults, such as "Hab SoSI' Quch," meaning "Your mother has a smooth forehead."

Okrand said Klingon aficionados have even restored some works of Shakespeare, including Hamlet, back to their "original Klingon"—in full iambic pentameter—based on a line about Shakespeare from one of the movies. They have

also translated other pop culture favorites, such as the theme song from "Sesame Street."

The Klingon Language Institute (www.kli.org) is a not-for-profit organization devoted entirely to the language. It puts out a quarterly academic journal and an annual literary magazine of Klingon fiction and poetry.

Though Okrand completed the original Klingon language in just a few months, he said it is continually developing.

The Klingon Language Institute chronicles

new words on its website as they are added to the language by Klingon devotees. However, they won't make up anything on their own, Okrand said during a reception after the lecture.

"They'll argue endlessly about it," he said. "They always come to me saying 'I need a word for this.' So I'm the source, which is weird. But I'm not going to be around at some point so they'll have to designate someone."

Okrand said Klingon holds an interesting place in linguistics because it is based both on fact and fiction.

"Klingon steps back and forth between something that's really scientifically-based and

sheer, utter fantasy and fun," he said.

Okrand fielded questions from the audience after the lecture. When one student asked if anyone could create a language, Okrand did not hesitate to say yes.

"The main thing is consistency," he said.

"You've got to have a set of rules, and a limited number of sounds that you use, and stick to the rules."

Associate Professor Parker, who asked

Okrand to speak at the college based on one student's suggestion in her Linguistics 101 class

three years ago, said she was very pleased with outcome of the lecture.

"Dr. Okrand was astonishing," he said. "He spoke so brightly about the sounds and structure of the Klingon language and explained it well without using any complicated, technical terms. He's a remarkably skilled and creative linguist and a congenial speaker. It was a very good match. Dr. Okrand and our audience of campus and community people."

Associate Professor of Linguistics Christina

Kakava echoed this sentiment.

"I thought it was a great speech because personally I thought it addressed not just people who were interested in the language but also people who were interested in the 'Star Trek' culture," she said.

Senior Lauren Martella said she found the lecture fascinating.

"To create an entire system and to factor in both mistakes that actors made and the commercial demands of Hollywood and to come up with something so cool—it boggles my mind," she said.

According to Parker, Okrand was eager to speak at the college, which paid him an honorarium, or monetary compensation.

Okrand's recent work includes the Atlantic language, which he was hired to create for Disney's film "Atlantis: The Lost Empire." Aside from the Klingon Dictionary, his previous work includes an introduction to Klingon on the audiocassette "Conversational Klingon" (with Michael Dorn in 1992), and the audiocassette "Power Klingon" (co-written with Barry Levine in 1993).

He has also compiled a collection of Klingon proverbs in "The Klingon Way" (1996), and published "Klingon for the Galactic Traveler," which studies Klingon idioms and slang, in 1997.

Okrand has a Ph.D. in linguistics from the University of California at Berkeley. He formerly taught linguistics at the University of California, Santa Barbara. Currently, he is the director of live captioning for the National Captioning Institute in Vienna, Va.

In addition to some academic lectures, Okrand often speaks at "Star Trek" Conventions. Previous speakers in the Linguistics Speaker Series at Mary Washington College include linguists Ron Scollon (2001) and Deborah Tannen (2002).



Michael Dorn plays the Klingon "Worf" in "Star Trek: The Next Generation."

Viewpoints

Editorial

Talk it Up

The name has been saved. Sort of. The Board of Visitors at Mary Washington College chose the name University of Mary Washington over the more linguistically accurate and sensible name Mary Washington University.

The administration also failed to realize their first preference. Washington and Monroe University. The principal reason they failed in their attempt to keep Mary out of the new university name is because the overwhelming majority of the school's constituents wanted to keep her there.

There was another reason, as well: bad communication with the students.

There did not seem to be any actionable plan from the President, the Board of Visitors or the Image and Name Committee—nothing that involved bringing the student body into the discussion in any meaningful way.

Admissions Dean Martin Wilder published an opinion column in the Free Lance-Star defending his views on the name issue, saying that the logical name is Washington and Monroe University. He sent no letter to the student body, though. It seems Dr. Wilder cared more about the opinions of the good people of King George than of the students that he serves.

President Anderson and Dori Eglevsky, the rector for the Board of Visitors, spoke at a couple of forums sponsored by the Student Government Association. But few people attended these late-night sessions and the administration sponsored no information sessions of its own.

They failed to explicate their rationale for changing the name—or adding to the name or reducing the name—to the students at Mary Washington College. We are sure that they had a rationale, it may even have been a good one, but their silence and underestimation of the student body made it seem as though they had none.

We're happy the school is keeping Mary. But we'd still like to know what the administration was thinking.

Call us up next time. We'll be happy to talk.

Girls Vs. Boys

Disparities In Salaries And What's Going On At Work

By J. TYLER BALLANCE
Guest Columnist

In the article written by Andrew Hall ("Dollars and Sense?" *The Bulletin*, Nov. 20, 2003), Mr. Hall opens with a statement that faculty men are paid more than faculty women. He infers that because there is not gender parity when the overall average of all salaries is measured that the salaries are biased in favor of men. Mr. Hall ignores the data placed openly before him and performs no real analysis of the information. He instead chose to propagandize the issue and mislead the readers.

Should anyone care to learn the truth, they need only to compare salaries awarded to staff in the same jobs with the same longevity. If one were to use Mr. Hall's corrupt logic, one might conclude that Mary Washington College professors from India are grossly favored over American born professors, that is until one adds to the observation that the Indian-born professors are teaching in the most rigorous discipline, physics, and are awarded their salaries based on an increasingly rare basis—merit!

It is meaningless to compare overall average salaries paid to men and women, without comparing those in the same specialty and with the same seniority level.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics has debunked the view of some feminists and Mr. Hall's premise, for several years now, by publishing direct

comparisons between specific jobs and seniority levels. These studies have conclusively shown that in

many professions, women are paid a higher wage for the same job and seniority level as the men in those same jobs. This is especially true for the first few years of employment.

In spite of the truth, every year the National Organization for Women publishes a news release that claims gender-based wage disparities, citing the overall wage gap (just like the erroneous use of data by Mr. Hall). They intentionally omit the comparison of same job and seniority levels, since the truth that women are actually earning more than men in the same job/seniority positions doesn't serve the feminist political agenda.

To ignore specific jobs/seniority is to illogically assume that all jobs are of equal value in the marketplace. Reporters and

analysts need to become better educated in the use of statistical data. The readers will be far better served when writers are equipped to perform skilled analysis of raw statistical data as well as to have the ability to spot the red flags of the abuse of statistics, like in the case of groups like NOW, that publish propaganda in the guise of statistical reports.

As for today's readers (of any periodical), always consider that the so-called "reporter" may be writing with a political agenda. Closely examine the source of the data cited, ask whether or not the data was collected in a random fashion, how big the sample size was and consider collateral factors like who was more likely to respond, how were the questions structured, and did they compare apples to apples and oranges to oranges before accepting any survey results as accurate.

J. Tyler Ballance is a Bulletin reader from Potomac Shores, Virginia



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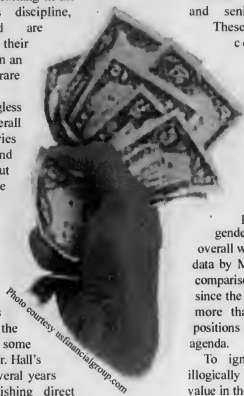


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"Put The No-No In Nonoxynol-9"

Spermicide At Health Center Can Cause More Harm Than Good

By MARGIT CHRISTENSON
Guest Columnist

Always watching out for the well-being of the student body, *The Bulletin* has in recent issues alerted Mary Washington students to the dangers of molds growing in academic buildings, muggers roaming the neighborhood, and the consequences of cruising down campus walk on a skateboard.

So keeping in the tradition of "You watch my back, I'll watch yours," I would like to return the favor and alert my fellow students of another potential danger on campus. This one can be found in the bowels of Lee Hall, in the Mary Gilson Self Care Center of the campus health center. This narrow room, a miniature CVS, is a help-yourself health center and a godsend to college students with little or no income. This pseudo-pharmacy has free,

discreet access to pain relievers, cold drops and condoms, to name just a few of the products available. But it is these free-of-charge condoms that concern me. Not that they are provided—the health center is wise in making birth control and sexually transmitted infection prevention easily accessible—but what these condoms contain.

The LifeStyles condoms tout on their packaging "Spermicidally Lubricated with Nonoxynol-9." "Great," think unsuspecting students. "I'm knocking out the threat of sexually transmitted infections and babies in one easy step!" But in an age where at least one in four Americans will contract an sexually transmitted infection during their life, distributing condoms containing nonoxynol-9 is a poor choice.

While it does act as a spermicide, extensive tests have proven that nonoxynol-9 is less than helpful in the role of sexually transmitted infection prevention. This potent chemical was originally thought to lessen the risk of HIV infection. Recent tests, however, have

proven that not only is nonoxynol-9 helpless against HIV, but it may increase the risk of sexually transmitted infections. Nonoxynol-9 causes irritation in vaginal and anal linings and when used extensively can increase the risk of sexually transmitted infections, due to

microscopic open sores that may develop in these tissues. These open sores act as inviting entryways for hepatitis B, the herpes virus, and HIV, to name just a few of the infections that sexually active individuals face today.



Photo courtesy lifestyles.com

Granted, a condom containing nonoxynol-9 is far better than no condom at all, and will cause relatively no harm if used infrequently. But it is in the best interest of the students if the health center made available condoms that were not lubricated with a known irritant and agent of sexually transmitted infection transmission.

To the health center: put the no-no in nonoxynol, and give Mary Washington students condoms that will fully protect them.

To Mary Washington students: protect yourselves! Margit Christenson is a sophomore.

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Police Beat

By ADINA YOUNG
Staff Writer



Nov. 17—At 9 p.m., the Fredericksburg Police Department notified campus police of a missing person. The missing 88-year-old male, of Orange County, and his wife were attending a music rehearsal in Pollard Hall, campus police said. The wife said her husband was known to wander. At 5:36 a.m., the Stafford County Police Department located a man fitting the description in an optometrist's office. The door was unlocked and the man slept there for the night. When an employee opened up the office the next day, he discovered the man and called the police. The man was reunited with his wife.

Nov. 18—At 11:15 a.m., a 20-year-old female student reported two items stolen from her vehicle parked in the Simpson parking lot, campus police said. The items stolen were a Puma sweatshirt and an Easy Pass toll card. The student was not sure if she locked her vehicle. Her toll card has been cancelled and the case is under investigation.

Nov. 21—At 2:29 a.m., campus police were notified of a student trespassing in Mason Hall. The 19-year-old male commuter student was banned from all residence halls, campus police said. When campus police

arrived, the student was found to be intoxicated. When an officer attempted to talk with him, the student ran out of the door of Mason Hall, towards Russell Hall, then rolled down the embankment. The officer approached him and found him to be unconscious. The student was transported to Mary Washington Hospital. The officer found the driver's license of someone else who looked similar to the student as well as his own license. After the student was released from the hospital, he was arrested on charges of obstruction of justice, trespassing and possession of a false driver's license. The student was referred to the administration.

Nov. 24—At 8:29 a.m., a faculty member reported her vehicle struck between Nov. 21 and Nov. 24, while it was parked on Double Drive. Damage is estimated at \$950, campus police said. The case is under investigation.

Nov. 24—At 5:30 p.m., a 19-year-old male resident of Russell Hall reported his lap top stolen from his room between 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. The room was not locked. The Dell Latitude lap top is valued at \$2,500, campus police said. The case is under investigation.

Sleep Study Results Revealed

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be exhausted and won't be able to concentrate," she said. "What you do know will be harder to remember. You won't get much out of studying that way."

Wagar suggested studying an hour a day, six days prior to the test, rather than six hours the night before. She said the recommended amount of sleep for college-aged students is seven to nine hours a night.

Sometimes the work load can't be split up, according to students juggling many classes, and they don't always see staying up late as a problem.

Late one Tuesday night, senior Lexi Pappas needed to write a midterm paper due the next afternoon. She started her paper and finished it the next morning. She never went to bed.

"I was really, really awake the next day," Pappas said. "It was kinda crazy. I felt more wired than when I get eight or more hours of sleep."

Pappas, a full-time student, member of the Judicial Review Board and Head Resident of Randolph Hall, said she doesn't always have time to spend out work and sleep is a second priority.

As for feeling more awake after having a

sleepless night, Wagar said this is only temporary.

"Certainly, if you stay up all night and then go to an a.m. class you might feel better, for a little while, than if you went to bed at four and got up at six," Wagar said. "A couple hours sleep might make you feel groggy than just staying awake, but probably not for long."

Students said they need a certain amount of sleep every night in order to be functional.

"I need my sleep or else I'm the biggest bitch in the world," said junior Erin Bzecznyak. "You don't want to cross my path."

Bzecznyak said she gets all her work done ahead of time and is in bed by midnight.

Some students, like sophomore Addie Bryant, said they never consider staying up all night.

"I sleep a lot," Bryant said. "For me, it's important to get all the sleep I can."

Students said sometimes it's necessary to stay up and get the work done, even when they know it's not the most ideal situation. Even Assistant Professor of Biology John Temple said he experienced some all-nighters during his college days.

"My own experience with all-night cramming for tests is that it is not effective," Temple said. "I tried it only a few times in college with little success."

University Of Mary Wash

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voted for University of Mary Washington as both a member of the Image and University Name Committee and as a board member. She said it was important for the college to go forward with this name together.

"I really am delighted because I think we have built a reputation of quality on that name," she said.

Alumna Catherine Cogut, class of 1998, said she was pleased with the decision.

"I'm glad they kept the name Mary as opposed to the name presented by the committee," she said. "I'm very satisfied with [the name]."

Others felt the name "Mary Washington" might cause setbacks at the college.

"I'm disappointed with the decision of the board," Roy

Gordon, professor of athletics, health and physical education and men's soccer coach said. "But they made the decision that they felt was in the best interest of the school."

Brenda Vogel, professor and director of teacher education programs at the James Monroe Center said that, while keeping Mary Washington in the name was not a loss, it may adversely affect the James Monroe Center.

"It doesn't help the James Monroe Center," she said. "I think we will have to work a little harder now."

But the decision also raised questions regarding the new name.

Earlier in the year, the University Image and Name Committee did not consider University of Mary Washington as a possible name.

At the final meeting, though, the committee decided to remove Mary Washington University from consideration.

Senior Stephanie Booth said, "I think there should be more consideration given to the phrasing."

Ackermann agreed.

"I like the name Mary Washington University much better," he said. "I don't know of any other place that's the university of a person."

Board member and alumna Margaret Moncreur said at the meeting, "I would much prefer Mary Washington University. I would

not be as happy to support University of Mary Washington, but I am likely to."

She added that she thought the BOV needed to be united when they brought their decision to the General Assembly.

Others thought the phrasing of the name will place the college in a special category among universities.

Hurley said, "I like the uniqueness of having 'university' first."

He also said having university up front will place Mary Washington alphabetically among well-known higher learning institutions like University of Virginia.

Kathleen Mehfoed, alumna and president of the Image and Name Committee presented the various data given to the committee over the years.

In 1997, when the college began to look

at going to university status, a survey of prospective students showed that 24 percent of those surveyed liked Mary Washington University best, while 23 percent liked Washington and Monroe.

Of 755 respondents to an alumni survey issued in 2002, 66 percent were in favor of Mary Washington University.

Also, 51 percent were strongly opposed to Washington and Monroe University.

James Monroe Center students were also polled. Of 194 students, 66 percent felt that Mary Washington University was a favorable name, while 41 percent thought Washington and Monroe was favorable.

An informal survey administered by the Student Government Association said 91 percent of almost 1,500 Mary Washington college students voted for Mary Washington University.

The survey also included an option to write in a name. Mehfoed said 64 students chose to write in University of Mary Washington.

Mehfoed also said as the president of the committee, she voted for University of Mary Washington to be the new name.

She explained why the Image and University Name Committee was split in their voting.

"The committee recognized the conflict between wanting a good name for the future and having Mary Washington in the name," she said.

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—Kathleen Mehfoed, President of Image and Name Committee

Klingon Talk: "Hab SoSII' Quch!"

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"My task was to come up with this real language for them to speak," he said. "I had to match the Klingon in 'Star Trek: The Motion Picture.' The script from 'Star Trek III' said the language also had to be guttural, and once again it had to be teachable or learnable by the actors."

The goal, Okrand said, was to make a non-human language. To do this, he decided he had to violate the rules of human languages. This included using very few human language tendencies, such as certain patterned sounds and grammatical structures.

"The whole point is that it shouldn't go together," he said.

For example, in making up vowel and consonant sounds for Klingon, Okrand avoided any that were very common in English, such as the "s" sound. He explained why Klingon also does not have equivalents to the English "z" or "k" sounds.

"There is no 'z' because that's a real common, science-fiction bad-guy sound," he said. "There is no 'k' for the same reason."

Okrand gave examples of previous "k" names in science fiction, which included villain characters from "The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," King Kong, Superman's Krypton, and even the aliens Kang and Kodos from "The Simpsons."

As another way of making Klingon as far from human languages as possible, Okrand manipulated word order. According to Okrand, the subject-verb-object structure in English is one of the most common of all languages in the world.

For Klingon, Okrand took the least common construction, which happens to be the exact opposite of English, object-verb-subject. Okrand also said there is no indicator of tenses in Klingon.

Okrand went on to devise dialogue and coach actors in Klingon for "Star Trek V: The Final Frontier" (1989) and "Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country" (1991).

Okrand spoke of what may happen when a new language or sounds are not developed for aliens in a movie. He gave as an example an urban myth about "Return of the Jedi" of the Star Wars trilogy, in which the writers used an obscure language that few people would recognize.

"The [character] apparently talks in some

strange language with very strange kinds of syllables," he said. "The [character] is speaking in the Niger-Congo language, which is spoken in Tanzania or Kenya. So when the movie showed over there they obviously recognized it. So what he was saying is about 'Your elephants are standing on my feet.'"

Okrand talked about pitfalls that also occurred with his Klingon language during the process of making the film. He said the actors would make so many mistakes in their Klingon that he began

to simply accommodate the language to their mistakes rather than ask them to re-shoot the dialogue.

"[T h e director] would ask me at the end of every shoot, 'Did the 'k' sound right?' he said. 'If they just made a little mistake, I made a note of it. The language changed as we were filming the thing.'"

After "Star Trek III," Okrand published the "Klingon Dictionary," which includes definitions for the then 2,000 words in the language

and instructions on grammar. Since then the language has developed a massive following of die-hard Star Trek fans and linguistics enthusiasts. Popular Web Sites include famous Klingon sayings and insults, such as "Hab SoSII' Quch," meaning "Your mother has a smooth forehead."

Okrand said Klingon aficionados have even restored some works of Shakespeare, including Hamlet, back to their "original Klingon"—in full iambic pentameter—based on a line about Shakespeare from one of the movies. They have

also translated other pop culture favorites, such as the theme song from "Sesame Street."

The Klingon Language Institute (www.kl.org) is a not-for-profit organization devoted entirely to the language. It puts out a quarterly academic journal and an annual literary magazine of Klingon fiction and poetry.

Though Okrand completed the original Klingon language in just a few months, he said it is continually developing.

The Klingon Language Institute chronicles new words on its website as they are added to the language by Klingon devotees. However, they won't make up anything on their own, Okrand said during a reception after the lecture.

"They'll argue endlessly about it," he said. "They always come to me saying 'I need a word for this, I need a word for that.' So I'm the source, which is weird. But I'm not going to be around at some point so they'll have to designate someone."

Okrand said Klingon holds an interesting place in linguistics because it is based both on fact and fiction.

"Klingon steps back and forth between something that's really something that's really science-fiction-based and

sheer, utter fantasy and fun," he said.

Okrand fielded questions from the audience after the lecture. When one student asked if anyone could create a language, Okrand did not hesitate to say yes.

"The main thing is consistency," he said.

"You've got to have a set of rules, and a limited number of sounds that you use, and stick to the rules."

Associate Professor Parker, who asked Okrand to speak at the college based on one student's suggestion in her Linguistics 101 class

three years ago, said she was very pleased with outcome of the lecture.

"Dr. Okrand was astonishing," she said. "He spoke so brightly about the sounds and structure of the Klingon language and explained it well without using any complicated, technical terms. He's a remarkably skilled and creative linguist and a congenial speaker. It was a very good match. Dr. Okrand and our audience of campus and community people."

Associate Professor of Linguistics Christina Kakava echoed this sentiment.

"I thought it was a great speech because personally I thought it addressed not just people who were interested in the language but also people who were interested in the Star Trek culture," she said.

Senior Lauren Martella said she found the lecture fascinating.

"To create an entire system and to factor in both mistakes that actors made and the commercial demands of Hollywood and to come up with something so cool—it boggles my mind," she said.

According to Parker, Okrand was eager to speak at the college, which paid him an honorarium, or monetary compensation.

Okrand's recent work includes the Atlantean language, which he was hired to create for Disney's film "Atlantis: The Lost Empire." Aside from the Klingon Dictionary, his previous work includes an introduction to Klingon on the audiocassette "Conversational Klingon" (with Michael Dorn in 1992), and the audiocassette "Power Klingon" (co-written with Barry Levine in 1993).

He has also compiled a collection of Klingon proverbs in "The Klingon Way" (1996), and published "Klingon for the Galactic Traveler," which studies Klingon idioms and slang, in 1997.

Okrand has a Ph.D. in linguistics from the University of California at Berkeley. He formerly taught linguistics at the University of California, Santa Barbara. Currently, he is the director of live captioning for the National Captioning Institute in Vienna, Va.

In addition to some academic lectures, Okrand often speaks at "Star Trek" Conventions. Previous speakers in the Linguistics Speaker Series at Mary Washington College include linguists Ron Scollon (2001) and Deborah Tannen (2002).



Michael Dorn plays the Klingon "Worf" in "Star Trek: The Next Generation."

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Viewpoints

Editorial

Talk it Up

The name has been saved. Sort of. The Board of Visitors at Mary Washington College chose the name University of Mary Washington over the more linguistically accurate and sensible name Mary Washington University.

The administration also failed to realize their first preference, Washington and Monroe University. The principal reason they failed in their attempt to keep Mary out of the new university name is because the overwhelming majority of the school's constituents wanted to keep her there.

There was another reason, as well: had communication with the students.

There did not seem to be any actionable plan from the President, the Board of Visitors or the Image and Name Committee—nothing that involved bringing the student body into the discussion in any meaningful way.

Admissions Dean Martin Wilder published an opinion column in the Free Lance-Star defending his views on the name issue, saying that the logical name is Washington and Monroe University. He sent no letter to the student body, though. It seems Dr. Wilder cared more about the opinions of the good people of King George than of the students that he serves.

President Anderson and Dori Eglevsky, the rector for the Board of Visitors, spoke at a couple of forums sponsored by the Student Government Association. But few people attended these late-night sessions and the administration sponsored no information sessions of its own.

They failed to explicate their rationale for changing the name—or adding to the name or reducing the name—to the students at Mary Washington College. We are sure that they had a rationale, it may even have been a good one, but their silence and underestimation of the student body made it seem as though they had none.

We're happy the school is keeping Mary. But we'd still like to know what the administration was thinking.

Call us up next time. We'll be happy to talk.

Girls Vs. Boys

Disparities In Salaries And What's Going On At Work

By J. TYLER BALLANCE
Guest Columnist

In the article written by Andrew Hall ("Dollars and Sense?" *The Bulletin*, Nov. 20, 2003), Mr. Hall opens with a statement that faculty men are paid more than faculty women. He infers that because there is not gender parity when the overall average of all salaries is measured that the salaries are biased in favor of men. Mr. Hall ignores the data placed openly before him and performs no real analysis of the information. He instead chose to propagandize the issue and mislead the readers.

Should anyone care to learn the truth, they need only to compare salaries awarded to staff in the same jobs with the same longevity. If one were to use Mr. Hall's corrupt logic, one might conclude that Mary Washington College professors from India are grossly favored over American horn professors, that is until one adds to the observation that the Indian-born professors are teaching in the most rigorous discipline, physics, and are awarded their salaries based on an increasingly rare basis—merit!

It is meaningless to compare overall average salaries paid to men and women, without comparing those in the same specialty and with the same seniority level.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics has debunked the view of some feminists and Mr. Hall's premise, for several years now, by publishing direct

comparisons between specific jobs and seniority levels. These studies have conclusively shown that in

many professions, women are paid a higher wage for the same job and seniority level as the men in those same jobs. This is especially true for the first few years of employment.

In spite of the truth, every year the National Organization for Women publishes a news release that claims gender-based wage disparities, citing the overall wage gap (just like the erroneous use of data by Mr. Hall). They intentionally omit the comparison of same job and seniority levels, since the truth that women are actually earning more than men in the same job/seniority positions doesn't serve the feminist political agenda.

To ignore specific jobs/seniority is to illogically assume that all jobs are of equal value in the marketplace. Reporters and

analysts need to become better educated in the use of statistical data. The readers will be far better served when writers are equipped to perform skilled analysis of raw statistical data as well as to have the ability to spot the red flags of the abuse of statistics, like in the case of groups like NOW, that publish propaganda in the guise of statistical reports.

As for today's readers (of any periodical), always consider that the so-called "reporter" may be writing with a political agenda. Closely examine the source of the data cited, ask whether or not the data was collected in a random fashion, how big the sample size was and consider collateral factors like who was more likely to respond, how were the questions structured, and did they compare apples to apples and oranges to oranges before accepting any survey results as accurate.

J. Tyler Ballance is a *Bullet* reader from Potomac Shores, Virginia



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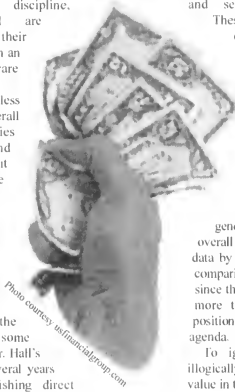


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"Put The No-No In Nonoxynol-9"

Spermicide At Health Center Can Cause More Harm Than Good

By MARGIT CHRISTENSON
Guest Columnist

Always watching out for the well-being of the student body, *The Bulletin* has in recent issues alerted Mary Washington students to the dangers of molds growing in academic buildings, muggers roaming the neighborhood, and the consequences of cruising down campus walk on a skateboard.

So keeping in the tradition of "You watch my back, I'll watch yours," I would like to return the favor and alert my fellow students of another potential danger on campus. This one can be found in the bowels of Lee Hall, in the Mary Gibson Self Care Center of the campus health center. This narrow room, a miniature CVS, is a help-yourself health center and a godsend to college students with little or no income. This pseudo-pharmacy has free,

discreet access to pain relievers, cough drops and condoms, to name just a few of the products available. But it is these free-of-charge condoms that concern me. Not that they are provided—the health center is wise in making birth control and sexually transmitted infection prevention easily accessible—but what these condoms contain.

The LifeStyles condoms tout on their packaging "Spermicidally Lubricated" with Nonoxynol-9. "Great," think you suspecting students. "I'm knocking out the threat sexually transmitted infections and babies in one easy step!" But in an age where at least one in four Americans will contract a sexually transmitted infection during their life, distributing condoms containing nonoxynol-9 is a poor choice.

While it does act as a spermicide, extensive tests have proven that nonoxynol-9 is less than helpful in the role of sexually transmitted infection prevention. This potent chemical was originally thought to lessen the risk of HIV infection. Recent tests, however, have

proven that not only is nonoxynol-9 helpless against HIV, but it may increase the risk of sexually transmitted infections. Nonoxynol-9 causes irritation in vaginal and anal linings and when used extensively can increase the risk of sexually transmitted infections, due to

microscopic open sores that may develop in these tissues. These open sores act as inviting entryways for hepatitis B, the herpes virus, and HIV, to name just a few of the infections that sexually active individuals face today.



Photo courtesy: lifestyles.com

Granted, a condom containing nonoxynol-9 is far better than no condom at all, and will cause relatively no harm if used infrequently. But it is in the best interest of the students if the health center made available condoms that were not lubricated with a known irritant and agent of sexually transmitted infection transmission.

To the health center: put the no-no in nonoxynol, and give Mary Washington students condoms that will fully protect them.

To Mary Washington students: protect yourselves!

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Features

The Ruckus Over THE ROCK

By Niki Larson, Staff Writer

When the Save the Name Steering Committee decided to advertise for the Save the Name Rally on Nov. 21, they carpooled to Roses, bought blue and gray paint and proceeded to Mary Washington College's personal soap box: the Spirit Rock.

"That night we painted over the Women's Ultimate Frisbee team's message," said *Bullet* staff writer Cara Stout. "But the Save the Name Rally was only happening once and the rock needed to be promoting it that night."

According to Director of Student Activities and Community Service Tami Goodstein, the Spirit Rock was donated to the college in 2001. Students regularly use the rock to promote various on-campus events, athletic competitions, birthdays and personal messages.

Before painting the rock, students must abide by the rules stated in the 2003-2004 Student Handbook. The handbook advises students that profanity and vulgarity are not allowed. Spray paint is also off-limits to the rock since latex paint is the only permissible type. The college also asks students to adhere to the values of the Statement of Community Values, which can be found in the handbook.

According to Student Government Association President Kristin Orstead, the spirit rock acts as an avenue for open discussion among students.

"I think the rock has created a dynamic atmosphere for communication between students," Orstead said. "I know many people look forward to using the rock as a form of expression, whether it means advertising a meeting, wishing a friend happy birthday or making a controversial statement."

One controversial statement that appeared on the rock this semester read, "F--- France." This had some students talking about appropriate means of expression.

"It bothers me when people use the rock for something negative because it is supposed to promote positive, school-supported events on campus," Stout said.

Junior Sam Smith agreed, but also argued that the messages on the rock should not be limited.

"I think people should be able to write what they want on the rock," he said. "But I believe there are ways of saying what you want to say while at the same time being selective about your language."

Others do not use the rock for such serious

things but rather as a fun way to unite friends. Junior Joanna Cahall and a group of friends were sitting around playing drinking games at 2 a.m. on the night before last St. Patrick's Day when they decided to go out and paint the rock. They painted "Third Floor Girls Get Lucky" on the front, and each girl signed her name.

"No one was around at the time, so seven of us thought it would be funny to put something up on the rock that we could all laugh at the next day," Cahall said.

Junior and *Bullet* staff writer Katie Jensen was co-chair of the Spirit Rock Committee as a freshman and has since used the rock to promote events for Class Council.

"For publicity reasons it rocks because it's different than the flyers that are everywhere," Jensen said. "We painted it last year too when Alex Naden died and I think at least for me, it was nice to have a visual reminder of all the people that loved him. I didn't even know most of the people who signed the rock, and they just came during the week and put their names on it when it was good for them. It gave a sense of community recovery that was comforting."

There have been problems concerning the length of time messages are allowed to remain on the rock before they may be painted over.

Bullet staff writer and Save the Name Steering Committee member Julia Hoffman said a member of the Women's Ultimate Frisbee team approached other members of the Committee the day after they had painted over the team's message on the spirit rock.

According to Hoffman, the team member said there was a 24-hour rule for the rock.

"I always assumed [the rock] was a free-for-all," Hoffman said. "When we went out to paint the rock for the Save the Name rally we could tell the paint was fresh and that what we were about to paint over hadn't been there long, but no one knew about this alleged 24-hour rule. I thought stuff was painted over all the time. I've seen people out there at 2 or 3 a.m."

To avoid confrontation, junior Eva Haile and her friends painted the backside of the rock for her friend's 21st birthday only because they did not want to paint over the message on the front.

Yet according to Orstead, the spirit rock is a free-for-all.

There are not specific rules about a waiting period for painting on the rock. Because of this, it is up to students' discretion whether a message stays or goes.



Peter Kelley/Bullet



Peter Kelley/Bullet



Courtesy Lauren DeAngelo

From top: The Symfonics painted the rock on Nov. 14 after the "F--- France" message, students view the rock as they walk from the Eagle's Nest, Save the Name Steering Committee members pose after painting the rock on Nov. 20.

Remembering Emily

By Melissa Ng
Staff Writer

It was difficult to see what happened through the smoke and flying debris. The accident had caused a seven-hour backup on Interstate 95. There was one tragic death on Aug. 7, 2003. On that night, the Cella family lost a daughter and her companions lost a best friend.

Emily Cella, 19, a rising junior at Mary Washington College, was killed by a tractor-trailer when it ran over her 2003 Toyota coupe near Potomac Creek at 1:50 a.m.

Cella was on her way to Fredericksburg from Centreville. Her parents were at home there on the night of the accident. Terri Cella, Emily's mother, reflected on her daughter's death.

"I can't put it into words," she said. "Her death has been such a great loss and a huge void in my life. She was so close to me."

Despite her loss, Terri said she stays

strong for her daughter.

"I'm strong because she was always so happy and I know that she wouldn't want me to be sad," she said. "Our memories are happy. I get my strength from her actually."

Terri said she misses most the times her daughter would call to talk.

"She would call me every day just to chat," Terri said. "We talked about books and news. We talked about everything. Did you know that that morning Emily called me and said, 'Mom, did you hear about J-Lo and Ben? They broke up. I knew that was going to happen.'"

Joe Cella, Emily's father, said, "She was everything to us. She was always enthusiastic. She was already thinking about what to do after graduate school. She was really looking forward to the future."

Emily eventually wanted to move to New York City for graduate school. She had a newfound interest in criminology and psychology.

"She always read about the subject area that she was interested in," Joe said.

Junior Kim Bickert, one of Cella's best friends, remembers her love for books and writing. She said Cella's room had journals everywhere.

"I'd come over at midnight to hang out, go get Taco Bell and watch a movie," Bickert said. "There she is, sitting with candles lit, listening to her techno CD and writing in her journal. That was one of my fondest memories of her."

Cella's family remembers her dedication to school and her other interests.

"She always had a project going," Terri said. "I am so proud of everything she has done."

"Emily was humorous, loving and kind to everyone. She was one of those people who was so smart but never let people know."

Both parents said they are doing well. Other friends said they find it more

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Courtesy Kim Bickert

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To the Men of MWC Calendar coming out this week.



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So, a junior, notices many differences between school in Hong Kong and in the United States, some odd but most pleasant.

"People here are very friendly," So said. "They will smile and say hi to you even if they don't know you, but we seldom do that in Hong Kong. We will shake hands with people in Hong Kong, but here it is usually giving a hug."

This is So's first time studying abroad and she will be here for just one semester. She picked Mary Washington College through a program called Student International Exchange Program.

So explained that the program has a list of schools and anyone interested in studying abroad can search the list and find out information on the school through the Internet. The student picks three schools and then their school decides which overseas college or university would be most appropriate for the student.

Mary Washington has similar school-sponsored and non-school-sponsored study abroad programs through International Academic Services. When students participate in a Mary Washington College-sponsored program they register for Mary Washington credit and abide by the college's terms for enrollment.

So said she picked Mary Washington for several academic and social reasons.

"I chose MWC because people say that it's good and the courses are suitable to my major," she said.

Jennifer Cheung, a sophomore also studying abroad from Hong Kong, heard only praises of Mary Washington College that helped her make her decision to study abroad here.

"I could transfer my credits easily and my principal actually recommended it to me," Cheung said.

She also said she took the virtual tour on the Mary Washington College Web page and this played a big part in her decision.

Cheung is studying abroad through the same program as So. The girls were given choices of schools from all over the world, including Japan,



So (left middle) and Cheung (right middle) stand outside Monroe Hall in late October with Professor Starr and a staff member from their school in Hong Kong, Lingnan University.

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So will be graduating this year because the university program is three years in Hong Kong, compared to four year in the United States. Cheung will be graduating next year.

Cheung has noticed some academic differences between her classes in the United States and in Hong Kong, mostly dealing with teaching style.

"In Hong Kong we always use PowerPoint and don't jot down notes during class," Cheung said.

She's getting used to note-taking during classes and said that her marketing class is the only class where she has PowerPoint slides instead of lecture notes.

Cheung and So both said their classes are more reading intensive than in Hong Kong. So particularly noted the differences between being

tested on materials learned in class.

"We usually have quizzes and tests throughout the semester and a final exam on all the chapters," So said. "But here they will divide it into several exams."

However, the different teaching approaches don't change the normal college-level workload.

"The workload is more or less the same depending on the course," Cheung said.

She added that her professors are nicer at Mary Washington.

Socially, Cheung also notices several differences.

"In Hong Kong we go to class and talk a lot," she said. "Here, people don't have the initiative to talk to you unless they know you."

Cheung and So are both living on campus this semester and are happy with their living arrangements and current roommates, who make

adjusting to Mary Washington a little easier.

"[Dorm life] is really good," So said. "People are nice and helpful and I have a really good roommate."

Director of Residence Life and Housing Chris Porter said that the housing department makes every effort to get exchange students a spot on campus. However, they do not build in spots for exchange students during the housing selection process.

"The timing of their assignments is much more like transfer students," Porter said. "When we are made aware that an exchange student needs to be housed, we do our best to find the best match with the spaces that are available at that time."

Porter also said that the housing department tries to be sensitive to the fact that they are exchange students, but at the same time, they must be housed like all other students.

Luckily, everything, including housing, worked out for Cheung and So, although So had a little scare before departing from Hong Kong.

A week before she left, she found out that one of her courses might not transfer and this

caused some confusion.

"[There was] a chance that I couldn't come because one of my courses couldn't get approval before the week that I came," So said. "That made me feel nervous as I really wanted to study abroad."

Despite some anxiety, So and Cheung said they feel comfortable at Mary Washington and with the many new friends they have made, but that it's still nice to know that someone from home is nearby.

"This can reduce our nervousness and in the worst case, we can find each other," So said.



Cella (left) with junior Melissa Ng (right).

Four Months Later... Friends, Family Share Memories of Student

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difficult. Bickert remembers the day of the accident.

"She was supposed to pick me up at five o'clock that morning to take me to the airport, and I had just talked to her at 12:30 a.m.," she said. "Emily told me that she was on her way but she never showed up."

"That morning, my boyfriend took me to the airport and I noticed traffic on the other side of the highway," Bickert continued. "I ended up missing my 8:10 a.m. flight. However, at exactly that time, I received a phone call."

Cella's roommate was on the other line and gave Bickert the tragic news.

"That was the worst day of my life," Bickert said. "The ride back was a blur."

Senior Phil Seidman, one of Cella's closest friends, was still living in New York during the time of the accident.

Seidman said when he woke up, he had seven missed calls and five voice mails. Almost every member of the family called and in the last message, Emily's Uncle Jerry told him the news.

"I just collapsed," Seidman said. "I honestly thought it was a joke so I called her sister and her sister explained it to me."

"A negative effect of her death was that I lost the person who I was closest to in the entire world," Seidman also said. "It is really hard dealing with her absence but at the same time, she had taught me so much and made me a better person."

"I always said that I believed in fate but now this is something I'm fighting with. It is so hard to find a reason for this," Seidman said.

The driver of the tractor-trailer that caused the accident, Dale Kreider, 32, will be tried for involuntary manslaughter. He was traveling from Pennsylvania and heading toward Richmond when the accident that took Emily's life occurred. Enough evidence was found in his preliminary hearing for this charge. The maximum punishment is 10 years in prison.

In the preliminary hearing, when Kreider was asked what had happened, he replied, "I don't know."

Mrs. Cella said, "I am just confused. I don't hate him but I just want to know what happened."

Bickert's feelings towards Kreider are stronger.

"This guy deserves the worst punishment they can give," she said.

Emily's wake was held on August 10 and her funeral was on August 11. She is survived by her parents, two brothers and sister.

The Cella family and Mary Washington College are in the process of creating a scholarship in Emily's memory. For the scholarship to begin, a fund must be established.

Betty Sizemore, an administrative assistant for the College Development Office, said they need to get close to \$8,500 to start the scholarship process. Cella's scholarship will be given a title once there are enough funds. The minimum amount to create a scholarship is \$20,000. Anyone can donate.

All of Emily's family and friends would agree with Phil Seidman when he said, "If Emily were here, I could only tell her one thing. I would say, 'I love you.'"

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Issues

Insurgence Inspirits Students

Interviews by PETER KELLEY
Photo Editor

On Nov. 21, about 500 students, alumni, faculty and community members descended on Mary Washington College's campus for one purpose: To Save the Name.

"It was amazing. I'm just so happy that so many people turned out for it."

-Kelly Smith, Senior



Top: Sophomore Owen Allen sports his hippo puppet in support of Mary Washington University. Clockwise from left: Mayor of Fredericksburg Bill Beck speaks to the crowd. Students listen attentively in front of GW Hall. Shana Muhammad cheers. Kirk Roberts protests after marching to the Campus Center

"I was one of two students on the Image and University Name Committee. The didn't listen to me there, so I thought maybe they'd listen to us as a collective unit."

-Katie Leesman, Senior

"I think that Mary Washington College is a very special institution and it would be absolutely wonderful if we were the first public university named after a woman."

-Suzanne Sumner, Associate Professor of Mathematics

"If these Board members don't see what this is and what it represents, they need medication, or they need their medication upped, or something."

-Steve Watkins, Associate Professor of English, Linguistics and Speech



“The wig brought out a lot of emotion. We had a good time. The enthusiasm far exceeded my expectations.”

-Andrew Deci, Junior



Clockwise from the left: Junior Andrew Deci as George himself. Alumni voice their monetary demands. Pat McGinnis, president and CEO of the Council for Excellence in Government and alumna speaks her mind. An alumna drove from Lexington and stayed overnight in order to let the administration know her thoughts. Steve Watkins Associate Professor of English, Linguistics and Speech riles the crowd.



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Above: Students and alumni demand their voices be counted. Bella Cappella wows the crowd singing the Alma Mater. The Save the Name steering committee belts out "George's Mom has got it goin' on."

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Three Holiday Movies To See Over Winter Break.

"'Love Actually' Is All Around"

By Lisa Baker
Special To the Bulletin

Rated R

Queen Elizabeth I, according to legend, decreed that no playwright had ever shown the true nature of love. "They make it pretty; they make it comical; or they make it lust," she disdainfully says in Shakespeare in Love.

Shakespeare supposedly came up with "Romeo and Juliet" shortly after and the Queen said that Shakespeare had shown love accurately. The Queen and the Bard would be glad to know that the Brits are keeping that tradition alive, the latest incarnation being "Love Actually."

The film is the directorial debut of writer Richard Curtis who has achieved critical acclaim and commercial success

with some of the best romantic comedies of the decade including "Four Weddings and a Funeral" and "Notting Hill." This time his story follows different couples in love, out of love and struggling with love and life. Each vignette follows love in a different state.

Hugh Grant is charming and has impeccable comic timing as the newly elected Prime Minister of England who falls in love with his secretary, Natalie (Martine McCutcheon).

Liam Neeson is a widower who is caring for his stepson Sam, played by newcomer Thomas Sangster. Sangster is an adorable child actor and he and Neeson have great chemistry and are believable as a father and son, both struggling with the

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"Elf" Is Sweet As Candy

By Beth Wingard
Assistant Scene Editor

Rated PG

First he traversed the seven levels of the candy cane forest. He made it through the sea of whirly swirly gum drops. Then, in what would prove to be the most difficult part of his journey, he walked through the Lincoln Tunnel. Finally Buddy the Elf, played by the always hilarious Will Ferrell, made it to New York City.

"Elf" begins with a flashback, narrated by Buddy's adopted father Papa Elf (Bob Newhart), which explains how Buddy crawled out of his crib in an orphanage and into Santa's sack of toys and wound up raised by elves in the North Pole. Upon discovering the infant in his sack the almost gruff Santa (Ed Asner) decides Buddy should stay and he is raised by Papa Elf.

Despite the fact that he is 6-feet-3-inches-tall and has spent most of his life hunched over trying to live in a world built for 2-foot tall elves, the 30-something Buddy remains blissfully ignorant of his human status—until he is unable to meet his Etch-a-Sketch quota.

He then ascertains that he is in fact a grown man with a father in New York City who doesn't know he exists. So Buddy sets out to find his father Walter (James Caan), even though, horror of all horrors, the cut-throat children's book publisher (he was shown taking books from a nun running an orphanage) is on Santa's naughty list.

New York City is certainly different than the innocent and isolated life Buddy led in the North Pole and hilarity is inevitable as he encounters city life for the first time.

Buddy bounces through the city in his elf gear (a fur-trimmed festive green jacket, bright yellow tights, a pointy hat, and the

perfect elf shoes) taking in the sights as an amazed child would. Buddy encounters, among many new and fascinating things in the big city, revolving doors, which he spins through until he gets sick, and escalators, which he is reluctant to ride until the holiday shopping crowd forces him on.

Ferrell plays the wide-eyed Buddy with enough syrupiness to make the audience cringe at times—perhaps it is because he is so pumped full of sugar. After all, his four main food groups are candy, candy canes, candy corns, and syrup.

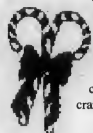
For breakfast Buddy has a plate of spaghetti, which is strange enough in itself. But to add to the oddity, he covers his spaghetti with maple syrup. Then jelly beans, marshmallows and M&M's are added. Finally, as the pièce de résistance, he adds a package of chocolate Pop-Tarts. Satisfied with the meal, Buddy grabs fistfuls of the concoction and, with great gusto, crams it into his mouth.

This sugary sweetness and childlike wonder we are given through the character of Buddy is nicely balanced out by Jovie (Zoëy Deschanel) one of Santa's

disillusioned department store helpers and the object of Buddy's affection. She, along with most of the other characters, has lost the Christmas spirit and it is Buddy's job to restore it to them all.

"Elf" is clean enough that one could watch it with younger siblings or neighborhood kids and yet it has just enough of an adult edge to keep an audience of any age entertained. Granted, the average viewer probably will not walk out of the theater suddenly believing in Santa Claus again but there is nothing like a silly holiday movie to get people into the mood for Christmas.

Clear out that space on the shelf between "A Christmas Story" and "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"—the next classic holiday comedy has finally arrived.



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This Santa Could Not Care Less Which Children Are Naughty Or Nice

By Lesley Johnson
Scene Editor

Rated R

Normally it is the frightened child that wets him or herself while sitting on Santa's lap. In the movie "Bad Santa" though, this is not the case. The department store Santa, Willie (played by Billy Bob Thornton), drinks himself into such an inebriated stupor that he fails to notice when he urinates all over himself.

This does not faze Willie in the least bit. Willie is a chain smoker who hates any type of beverage if it lacks alcohol. Every year, he travels around to unsuspecting department stores with his sidekick Marcus, (played by Tony Cox who is a midget dressed up like an elf) in hopes of being that store's Santa.

After a long day's work of listening to hundreds of children's Christmas wish lists, Willie and Marcus hide in the department stores and prepare for their "night job" of robbing their place of employment.

As each robbery unfolds, the audience is left on the edge of its seat as Willie and Marcus strategically disarm the alarm systems and carry out all of the intricacies involved in each heist. Willie and Marcus contemplate every minute detail concerning the outcome of each heist. "Bad Santa," on a smaller scale, resembles the plot of "Ocean's 11," in which the characters raid a prosperous casino.

Along the way, Willie runs into a stuck up boy who inevitably becomes another one of his sidekicks. The boy, played by Brett Kelly,

honestly thinks Willie is Santa Claus and follows him like a shadow asking every possible question he can come up with about Kris Kringle's duties. The audience never finds out the boy's real name until the end of the movie and it would spoil the movie to disclose his name here.

The boy lives with his naïve grandmother, played by Cloris Leachman, who barely notices that Willie, a stranger, moves in with them for a short period of time.

With the boy's father locked up in a penitentiary and the boy being an outcast in school, it is no wonder that he turns to Willie for a parental figure. Willie is definitely not the best role model for a child though; especially when he, a grown man, takes it upon himself to beat up the boy's bullies, who are only 13-years-old.

"Bad Santa" puts a new spin on the typical Christmas movie. Willie uses an abundance of foul language throughout this movie. However, the director, Terry Zwigoff, portrays Willie in such a way that the cursing becomes essential to his character.

Willie and the typical idea of Santa are complete opposites, causing for the whole movie to be one hysterical joke repeated over and over. Willie acts in ways people would never think a Santa should act, including cursing, drinking, and wetting himself in public, not to mention having sex in his Santa suit.

Willie and Marcus inevitably try to see how many robberies they can perform before getting caught, while just like his two convicts, Zwigoff steps out on a limb by pushing the limits to what Santa can get away with.



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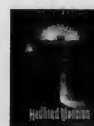
Billy Bob Thornton plays the role of Willie, a Santa Claus by day and a conman by night.

Top 3 Movies

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1. The Cat In the Hat



2. The Haunted Mansion



3. Elf

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What Is Your Favorite Holiday Movie?

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"Miracle on 34th Street."

**Kelly Mann,
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"Post Office Music Video."

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Junior**



"A Christmas Story."

**Dan Boone,
Freshman**

Does Love Actually End Happily Ever After?

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loss of their wife and mother.

Harry and Karen, played by Alan Rickman and Emma Thompson, are a married couple who are faced with a crisis of fidelity. Both Rickman and Thompson understand the nuances of playing a couple that have been married for a decade and they do a great job of making the audience understand their mature love.

Laura Linney gives a standout performance as a single woman who is in love with a designer in her office. Sarah has been in love with Carl since she started working in London two years before. Their fledgling relationship is compromised by Sarah's brother who is mentally ill. Because Sarah is so devoted to her brother,

she finds it hard to make time for anything else.

Her scenes are emotionally charged and complicated. They evoke tons of responses from the viewer and Linney does some subtle acting that allows heartache to seep through the screen while she balances the comedic aspects as well.

Jamie (Colin Firth), a recently scorned lover, finds solace in his house in the French countryside but also finds Aurelia, his Portuguese housekeeper. Despite their language barrier, they communicate and find one another's presences oddly comforting.

Another vignette follows Juliet, Mark and Peter who form an interesting triangle. Keira Knightley is Juliet who has recently married Peter. Mark is Peter's best friend who supposedly hates Juliet. Here is where those cue cards seen in the commercials come into play.

The other vignettes are just as charming and the two most hilarious involve an aging rock star played by Bill Nighy and two body doubles that get to know each other on intimate terms.

While ultimately a romantic movie, "Love Actually" also reveals the presence of true love in brother-sister relationships, in father-son relationships and between friends. Most romantic comedies deal with shallow, "love at first sight," subject matter but here love is presented in both a mature and thought-provoking way and from both female and male perspectives.

Richard Curtis and his star-studded cast have taken great pains to depict love in its many forms and they throw in some holiday fun. They do a magnificent job without falling into the genre's conventions.

Love is awkward. Love is complicated. Love is painful. Love is unrequited. Love is innocent. Love actually is all around.



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Hugh Grant, left, plays the Prime Minister of England and costars in "Love Actually" with Martine McCutcheon, who plays his secretary.

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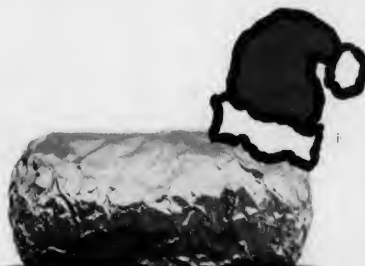
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Letters to the Editor

Name That Higher Institution

Student Letters, Responses, and Opinions on Recent Events



The crowd of demonstrators at the Save the Name rally marched to the Woodward Campus Center after meeting in front of George Washington Hall.

Change The Name

Dear Editor:

I was rather startled at a communiqué received Nov. 13 written by associate professor Steve Watkins. In his memo, he outlined the agenda of the "Save the Name" rally, which would be held concurrently with a Board of Visitors meeting. At this meeting, the Board voted to decide the name of Mary Washington College as we move forward on our path toward University status. As I read Mr. Watkins' commentary regarding the statistical data that supposedly upheld the "Save the Name" rationale, a few issues came to mind.

Upon reading the agenda outlined by Mr. Watkins, I fear that the statistical "evidence" presented by the "Save the Name" movement is somewhat slanted, if not bordering on mere propaganda. Mr. Watkins stated, "66 percent of Mary Washington College alumni want the name of the school to be Mary Washington University—and a large number prefer retaining the name Mary Washington College for the university name."

Why and how exactly would an institution (actively seeking recognition as a university) call itself Mary Washington College, other than by the suggested means of preserving the name under the umbrella of a different organization? Perhaps by calling it "Mary Washington College University?" Gee... then we could be listed as one of the "Most Redundantly Named, Publicly Funded, Liberal Arts Colleges Cleverly Disguised as Universities" in one of those dreaded polls! We might even have our very own category!

Watkins also stated 91 percent of 1500 current MWC students responding to a student government poll want the name of the school to be Mary Washington University. The enrollment of Mary Washington College is over 3500. His facts appear rather slanted. Did he consider the opinions of the remaining 2000+ students who did not participate in the poll? Please do not underestimate the intelligence of your audience, Mr. Watkins. We are able to do

enough arithmetic to understand that this survey did not even reach one-half of the student body.

While I have always held the name of Mary Washington College in the utmost regard, as a business professional (with experience in several re-branding and re-naming initiatives), I am painfully aware of the need to create new identities amongst the competition. Before you argue that educational institutions are different from businesses, please reconsider. Yes, the funding comes from different sources, and the goals are decidedly different, however, Mary Washington College is still subject to competition (hence, the aforementioned "dreaded" polls). Either we evolve, or we perish amongst the others who resist change.

In my experience with these types of changes, the thing that remained critical to the success of any initiative was unity from the leadership of the organization, and to me, should be inclusive of those responsible for educating and mentoring those who come here for educational purposes. You don't have to agree, but you are responsible for producing the facts from both angles, and to educate others to think clearly for themselves.

From Mr. Watkins' actions, he is doing nothing to make this venture or process successful for anyone—regardless of the outcome. He is simply stoking the fire of divisiveness, and I, for one, am not impressed. Mary Washington College has outlined "responsible conduct" in its core values, and I am not convinced that this demonstration is congruent with those ideals.

I am certainly a proponent for free speech, however, I am not in support of a full-scale demonstration that only supports the wishes of some and disturbs the right of others to vote their conscience. As a student of this institution, I am embarrassed that someone would seek to disrupt the pursuit of educational opportunity through public demonstration. If Mr. Watkins was truly convinced of his facts, then why not allow them to speak for themselves?

Patricia Tyler is a senior.

Changing The Name Doesn't Make Sense

Dear Editor:

As I am sure you have received countless e-mails and letters regarding the new name for the college, I figured I would add on to the pile.

One thing that I question as an alumni, who may be "out of the loop" in some respects, is the desire for the administration to strengthen Mary Washington College's affiliation with the new

James Monroe College. I notice that the majority of them do not cater to students coming right out of college. In fact, the only programs in which any Mary Washington College student seemed to be able to enroll that I saw were the educational programs. Granted, Mary Washington College is known for having a large number of education students, but this does not seem to be enough to warrant the two schools being grouped together as one large entity.

I suppose the questions that I have regarding all of this are concerning the development of the James Monroe Center. Will they begin to offer graduate programs that Mary Washington College students will be able to take once they graduate? In addition to the programs offered, will they soon adopt Masters of

Arts programs in History, Economics, or English?

It just seems to me that by affiliating the Mary Washington College campus with a Graduate/Professional campus, the two centers should complement each other in some way. For, as of now, the two will always be two distinctly different schools, regardless of any names that are adopted to say otherwise.

Daniel Greene graduated in 2002

Students Defend Mary Washington

She Was More Than George's Mom

Dear Editor:

I and many other students are outraged by the previous editorial by Mr. Griffith ("The Other Side of the Story: Change the Name," *The Bulletin*, Nov. 20, 2003.)

First, I support changing from college to university both in status and in name. The name "university" conjures an ambience of higher education and sophistication that our school would benefit from having.

But why not simply avoid confusion in our community by changing Mary Washington College to Mary Washington University? I applied to a school with the name "Mary Washington" not out of feminism but out of all the great things I heard about the school. Changing our school's name too drastically would completely uproot the name recognition of the campus to our community and to the rest of the state of Virginia—a state that was named after another woman, Queen Elizabeth I of England, yet no one is proposing we change the name of the state!

Second, I don't think there's anything wrong with having our school named after a woman, specifically Mary Washington. Mary Washington College is not the only institution for higher education named for a woman in the nation or the state for that matter. Other such prestigious schools named after women include Sarah Lawrence College, Scripps College, Mary Baldwin College, St. Mary's College, Barnard College and, of course, the College of William and Mary.

Third, Mary Washington did more important things than just being the mother of George. She is most famous for being the

mother of George Washington, but that is not all she is known for in the town of Fredericksburg. For one thing, her home that is located in Fredericksburg is a famous historic landmark.

To say a woman's only accomplishment in history was squeezing out babies is a sexist insult to women and the progress we have made over the last centuries.

Mary Washington was one of the largest landowners in the area at a time when women did not have the right to own or inherit property, which in itself is a major accomplishment by eighteenth century standards. Her

legacy was a dominant force in Fredericksburg and to this day still is. To say a woman's only accomplishment in history was squeezing out babies is a sexist insult to women and the progress we have made over the last centuries. Not only that, it's completely untrue.

To bring the issue of slavery into the article was also unnecessary. The majority of the founding fathers were slaveholders. Certainly James Monroe was, too. Having a school named after a slaveholder never crossed the minds of James Madison University or Washington and Lee University as something to be ashamed of. Comparing the tradition of having a school named after a local historical figure to the tradition of slavery is unfounded and has no basis as being on the same playing field.

Finally, I believe the voices of the community, alumni and student body have spoken and we want to keep as close to the original Mary Washington name as possible. The Image Committee should respect our wishes and not side with President Anderson on Washington and Monroe University.

Katherine Lowry is a freshman.



Dave Rickey and Scott Schultz are two of the several hundred students, alumni, faculty, and community members who joined the demonstration.

Here's To You, Mrs. Washington

Dear Editor:

I would like to express my feelings regarding Phillip Griffith's column in last week's issue of *The Bulletin* ("The Other Side of the Story: Change the Name," *The Bulletin*, Nov. 20, 2003.)

First of all, Mary Washington's accomplishments have little to do with the name change debate. "Save the name" is about students who chose to attend and want to graduate from Mary Washington College. It is about alumni who do not want the name on their diplomas to become obsolete. What Mary Washington did and did not do really is irrelevant, but since he addressed it, I will too.

Perhaps Mr. Griffith missed this part of history. When America was a blossoming new nation, men were encouraged to stand up and take charge. However, during this time (and for many, many years after) women were not given such an opportunity. Consequently, we do not see many "heroic women" of the 18th and 19th centuries. Most accomplishments of women have either gone unrecorded or have been displayed through

the achievements of men close to them. Mary did not simply pop little George out and send him off to become president. She lost her husband when George was young and was left to raise the first president and his siblings alone. She did not have the opportunity to become a leader, but she raised a son who could. I would say that is a pretty big accomplishment.

I do not feel that remaining Mary Washington College would be "imitating" the College of William and Mary. However, hiding behind the could-be male name Washington-Monroe so that in ten years no one will even remember that we were ever named after a woman, would certainly be imitating the majority of schools in Virginia. We already have James Madison, George Mason, George Washington, and even Washington & Lee. The name Mary Washington College is one of our school's most unique traits and, contrary to what Mr. Griffith wrote, is nationally recognized.

Autumn Brown is a sophomore



campus in Stafford. As I think about this, I fully support Mary Washington College making progress towards bigger and better things, and moving to university status is certainly a step in that direction.

However, affiliating itself with a center for professional studies only makes sense to me if this campus is one that can be used by Mary Washington College students once they complete their undergraduate degrees.

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Letters to the Editor

Tacky And Distasteful

Dear Editor:

I think that I speak for many of the faculty and students across campus by saying that the recent publication of faculty and staff salaries was extremely unprofessional and tacky.

I understand that MWC is a public school and people can have access to information such as this, but nothing good can come from publishing it in a paper.

Do people in the real working world sit around at lunch and ask each other what they make each year? Hell no. But apparently it's okay for this sort of stuff to be broadcast to the entire campus community as if it were newsworthy when in fact

it is disrespectful.

I can see it now: a teacher could read this and say, "Hey, why does he or she make more than I do?" The next thing you know, animosity and conflict could arise among faculty making the "name change" fracas to the school seem like small potatoes.

As a former writer and editor on *The Bullet* I must say that I am quite embarrassed not only for the paper, but also for the faculty and staff. This just shows respect and privacy don't seem to matter too much at MWC. But hey, as long as it fills some space in the paper, I guess it's okay then.

Cory Templeman is a senior.

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Inappropriate Headlines

Dear Editor:

I have some complaints about things that have been persistent in *The Bullet* throughout this semester.

The first complaint regards the headlines. It seems as though many are chosen because of innuendo or comedic value.

The first that comes to mind is the headline after Hurricane Isabel. Is there really a need for sexual innuendo in *The Bullet*? Are you trying to become a parody of a newspaper? I'm surprised that the headline in question was allowed to go to print.

The second headline which comes to mind was in the most recent edition. "Women's Soccer Crucifies Messiah." How can that be allowed? That is incredibly offensive to all Christians! I highly doubt that a headline that is offensive to any other religion would be allowed.

If *The Bullet* wants to be seen as a regular paper, and not as a joke, more work needs to be

done in creating proper headlines for its articles.

Another complaint regards the coverage of the cross-country teams in *The Bullet*. This most recent edition had a list of all-Capital Athletic Conference athletes. The men's and women's team had a total of 11 all-CAC runners, and three all region runners.

Yet this was not covered and their great performances at CAC and the Division III South/Southeast regional meet were ignored. Just so you know, the men's team was second and the women's team first at CAC. At regionals, the men were fourth,

their second best finish in the last eight years or so, and the women were sixth. During the season, the only coverage the cross-country teams got was from three athletic page blurbs, written by Clint. Often, the sports information director. Neither team got an article from a staff writer!

All sports at Mary Washington College should get fair coverage in *The Bullet*.

Matthew Kirk is a junior

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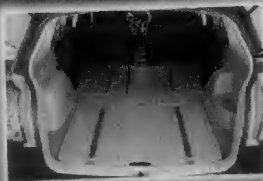


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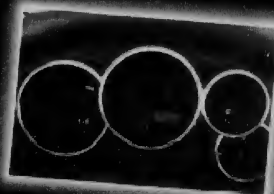
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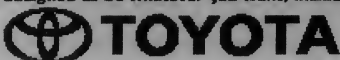
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News

Underground Needs Sprinklers

By JILL FLOWERS
Staff Writer

If you tried to go to the Battle of the Bands at the Underground on Saturday night, you could have been one of more than 30 people left standing out in the cold waiting for others to leave so they could get in.

If you went to Freaky ESP night with Craig Karges at the end of October, then you went to see him in Great Hall rather than in the Underground, where he performed last year.

If you've been waiting all semester to see bands like Q and not U, or The Almighty Senators, you'll have to keep waiting because Giant is no longer booking the same kind of bands they used to.

New National Fire Protection Association codes set in place in July of 2003 are the reasons for these changes to campus events. Following fire deaths in nightclubs across the country, the Association, which operates as an independent, voluntary-membership, nonprofit organization, implemented code 101 requiring facilities operating as a nightclub must either have a sprinkler system installed or reduce capacity to a maximum of 100 persons.

John Wittenmuth, assistant vice president for Facilities Services, said since the Underground doesn't currently have a sprinkler system, they had to cut capacity nearly in half from 180 to 100 persons in order to comply with the standards.

So far, any plans for installing a sprinkler system have been slow moving.

According to Wittenmuth, "some preliminary cost estimates have been obtained, but further development is still under consideration by the college administration."

Administrators are reluctant to give any concrete estimates for if or when such a

system will be installed. Cedric Rucker, dean of Student Life, said it is something that is simply being explored for the time being.

"We recognize that the reduced capacity limits the use of the facility so we are looking into ways, by installation of a sprinkler system or otherwise, in order to enhance the use of that facility," he said.

Administrators are currently consulting with Wittenmuth and working with engineers to see if the installation of a sprinkler system

necessary, where a water pump can be installed.

Hurley seemed more hopeful than others about the progression of plans for the system.

"I am hopeful that after we work with the engineers and they complete their analysis that it will be decided on at the February board meeting," he said. If the plans go through, he expects the system will be engineered and completed over the summer, and will be ready for the Fall 2004 semester.



The Underground, under Lee Hall porch.

is feasible for the Underground. According to Tami Goodstein, director of Student Activities, they are meeting with the engineers next week to discuss the logistics of putting a system in.

"It's more than just putting the pipes in, that's the easy part," said Rick Hurley, executive vice president and chief financial officer of the College.

Hurley said they also have to take into account other issues, such as whether there is enough water pressure in the building and if

President of Honor Council Brian Reagan. As he planned the culminating event of Honor Awareness Week, the Battle of the Bands, he ran into the problem that the Great Hall was already reserved for the entire week.

The limited capacity was an especially heavy burden for the Battle of the Bands event, since included in the 100 person capacity were all members of the six bands that played. Giant staff who set up the sound

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Drunk Driving Results In Toted Car

By AMY PRIBLE
Staff Writer

In the early morning hours of Oct. 18, sophomore Whitney Gray didn't want to make the trek up Marshall Hill to catch the bus to her track meet. She was tired, it was Saturday and the bus was waiting in front of Seacobeck way too far to walk at 5 a.m.

So she drove. "We do it all the time," she said. "It's so early when we have to leave that we just park our cars on College Avenue and catch the bus from there."

Gray parked her gold 1990 Honda Prelude on the street in front of Seacobeck and loaded onto the bus. She didn't realize it was the last time she would ever see her car in one piece.

According to the accident report filed by the Fredericksburg police department, 20-year-old Tristan Gregory Baker was speeding northbound on College Avenue just before 7 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18 when he struck Gray's Prelude. His car then ricocheted off Gray's Honda and into Mark Persson's 1990 Chevy Cavalier.

The intoxicated Baker then got out of his car and walked onto campus. Persson, who heard the accident from his home at 1616 College Avenue, called the police and ran outside to stop Baker.

"He looked like he was shook up and walked away to the dining hall, and about 10 minutes later he came back," Persson said. "I don't know if he was just dazed from the alcohol or if he was unsure of what to do. It wasn't like he was trying to leave the scene."

Baker, a former Mary Washington College

student, was charged with driving under the influence, reckless driving and felony vandalism. He was arrested at the scene and released from the Rappahannock Regional Jail later the same day. A hearing is set for Jan. 18. Baker was not available for comment.

"I just couldn't believe what happened," Gray said. "My car was pushed up on the curb, the entire bumper knocked off in the grass, there was glass all over the street. My car was completely demolished. I was shocked."

Gray and her track coach called the campus and Fredericksburg police to report the accident. That was when she learned a report had already been filed.

"The guy from across the street came over to us," she said. "He said that he had been watching for me since the accident happened. I was scared to death because I thought it had been a hit-and-run and my insurance was going to have to pay for the whole thing."

According to Jim Shelhorse, spokesman for the Fredericksburg police department, there have been 30 accidents reported along College Avenue and the streets surrounding the college since 2001. Only two have been reported since August of this year.

"We don't have too many problems along the streets of the college," Shelhorse said. "At least reported problems, anyway."

Because of the front-end damage to Gray's car, her parents had to call a towing service from her home in Culpeper to move the car from College Avenue.

"The company couldn't come move it right away, so it sat on the street for two days," she said. "That's when the college police came

and told me I was illegally parked."

The officers contacted Gray and told her since she was registered as an on-campus student, she couldn't park on College Avenue.

"But the funny thing was, they told me 'we have reason to believe you were intoxicated when you parked your car' because it was pushed sideways onto the curb," she said. "It was hilarious."

Gray explained to the officers that she had been hit by a drunk driver and couldn't move the car because of the damage.

According to Chief J.C. Snipes, campus police have no record of the accident. He also said he was not aware that an officer had asked Gray to move her car, or that one had questioned her sobriety when she parked it.

"It's not common practice for officers to question a student's sobriety when they see an awkwardly parked vehicle," he said.

"I had a very bad impression of the campus police because they didn't know what happened," Gray said. "Obviously they had a serious communication problem there."

Gray said the accident has been a serious inconvenience for her and her family. Her parents have missed work because of the accident, and she has had problems getting to Hazelwild farm in Spotsylvania County for equestrian practice.

"The boy that hit me wasn't fully covered with his insurance, so we've had a lot of problems getting the money for my car," she said.

Gray said her family will probably have to take Baker to court, but for right now she's just looking to replace her old car.

Sodexho Sued For Racial Discrimination

By ANNE BRABAND
Staff Writer

In 1984 when Cynthia McReynolds signed to work for Sodexho Inc., the leading provider of food and facilities management in North America today, she was eager to start a career in human resources. She hoped at a company the size of Sodexho she would be able to move up the corporate ladder if she worked hard. However, things turned out far different than what she had expected.

Over the next 19 years of her employment with Sodexho, McReynolds applied for upper-management positions 50 to 75 times.

To date, she has not received a single promotion outside of her division.

Instead, she said, white employees with less experience and education have been promoted despite her years of service and dedication to the company. She said she remains mystified by her inability to advance.

According to McReynolds, allegations against her employer have been outlined in the class-action lawsuit McReynolds et al v. Sodexho in the District Court for the District of Columbia.

McReynolds, along with nine former and current black managerial-level employees of Sodexho, filed this lawsuit on March 9, 2001, seeking relief from the alleged systematic racial discrimination in promotions throughout the company.

Sodexho owns many food service companies which serve college campuses all over the country, including that for Mary Washington College.

In the complaint, the plaintiffs, led by McReynolds, allege that Sodexho's racially discriminatory practices and policies deny black managers equal opportunities to advance. In particular, they assert the company's promotion practices are erratic, biased, and non-merit driven.

These practices allow Sodexho's predominantly white managers to make entirely subjective decisions affecting promotions, and discriminate against allowing blacks in higher-level management positions.

The case was certified as "nationwide class action" on June 27, 2002 in which the 10 plaintiffs now represent approximately 2,600 black employees at Sodexho. Despite the company's attempt to appeal the status of the case, the U.S. Supreme Court refused to step in. Damages could reach up to \$1 billion. Sodexho still maintains they will prevail.

Leslie Aun, spokesperson for Sodexho, said students and faculty don't need to be concerned about the lawsuit.

"The lawsuit will have no noticeable impact on students at Mary Washington College," she said. "However the workforce in dining services might be changing in terms of more diverse employees. [Sodexho will] be there as long as you let us."

Officials at the college have been instructed by Sodexho not to discuss the lawsuit. However General Manager Peter Labrecque said the account at Mary Washington College employs approximately 150 people.

According to Aun, there are three minority managers out of a total of seven managers in Seacobeck, The Eagles Nest and Catering Services. She declined to comment whether these managers were hired before or after the lawsuit.

"I can tell you that our hiring decisions at Mary Washington have absolutely no connection with the lawsuit but reflect our longstanding policy to hire the very best and most qualified people for every position within our organization," she said. "To try to link specific hiring decisions at the College with the filing of the lawsuit in a different state and a different division of our company is a real stretch."

However, according to the plaintiff class's attorney, Kerry Scanlon, the company has initiated many of its pro-diversity standpoints because of the lawsuit.

"After the defendant is sued, it's not surprising that they step up their efforts to be perceived as pro-diverse," he said. "It's one thing to claim you have diversity policies. Our lawsuit is against active discrimination in the workplace."

Director of Auxiliary Services Carolyn Taylor oversees the contracts for all dining services, including Sodexho's contract and said she didn't know about the lawsuit. She said her role is to ensure that both parties

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Senator's Daughter Living In Cornell House

By BRITT GOTTILIEB
Staff Writer

Senator Ed Houck's daughter received permission to live in the school-owned Cornell House for this semester.

Houck, 22, is living alone in the house, "enrolled in one three-credit class at the college—enough to give her full-time-student status, which is usually required for on-campus housing," said President Bill Anderson in an article in the Free Lance-Star on Oct. 13, 2003. Anderson failed to respond to questions.

In the article, Anderson said Houck has a disability and neither he nor Sen. Houck, a Democrat from Spotsylvania County, would say what it is.

Anderson is willing to accommodate people to fit their needs, said Ranny Corbin, Anderson's

executive assistant.

"President Anderson tells incoming students at preview not to be shy about requesting help when needed," Corbin said. "When approached by a student requesting help, he considers the situation and assists as he thinks appropriate, often simply directing the student to the appropriate administrative or faculty office to solve the problem. Each situation is different."

As for course load, there is no requirement for disabled students.

"It depends on the disability in which a person can get a reduced course load," said Stephanie Smith, director of disability services. "The amount varies. There is no set number that most people take."

The Cornell Cottage is one of two houses owned by the college, according to Corbin. She said there are no written policies on the usage of

the house but they are generally available to anyone with an academic tie to the institution.

When booking the house, there are no set rules to decide who is allowed to stay there.

Susan Knick, director of events, conferences and facilities scheduling said, "In scheduling uses, we do not form opinions. If a venue is open and available and the use is consistent with the venue, this office will schedule the use."

As stated on the Mary Washington College homepage, "Cornell Hall now provides a temporary residence for visiting professors and guests of the college."

The 1,000-square-foot cottage on Monroe Street, near the college's Surken Road gate, has a bedroom, living room, dining room, kitchen, 1 1/2 bathrooms and a patio, according to the Free Lance-Star.

According to Knick, the figures for the usage

of Cornell House from Aug. 2002 to Nov. 4, 2002, are 29 bed nights, or number of nights the bed(s) were occupied, by three users, plus two non-residential meetings. From Aug. 2003 to Nov. 4, 2003, there were 81 bed nights by two users. The house is now listed as "offline." The house has been occupied since the start of the school year on Aug. 21, 2003. Knick said there have been calls requesting lodging and the callers were told that both houses, Alvey House and Cornell House, are fully reserved for the semester.

Rick Hurley, executive vice president and chief financial officer, said Houck is paying a single room rate similar to that of living in the MWC Apartments. It is the highest rate the college has, of \$2,040 per semester. He said the

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Stout said she was happy with the turnout.

"This is truly amazing," she said. "I know it has really paid off. I know that we are this much closer to saving the name. Let's take pride in our institution."

Stout said, "I feel very passionate about saving the name Mary Washington. It was taken away in two minutes by the College Image and University Name Committee. That makes me so angry. The so-called democracy is biased and Anderson should have no say. It's all about the current students because we are the past, present and future of this institution."

Before marching across campus to the Woodard Campus Center, where the board was to meet, Watkins said, "One last note: it doesn't end here. If the board of visitors doesn't do the right thing, we will continue. Believe me, the General



Donna Hudgins, J. William Poole, Chief J.C. Snipes, Carter Hudgins, Martin Wilder, Bernard Chirico and Rick Hurley watch the rally from afar.

Assembly will listen, even if people here who are in positions of power seem unable to. It's a great co-ed school. We have great male students here. Quit selling it short."

The crowd was unable to see the board because "they snuck away in the dark," Watkins said. Despite being unable to see the board, everyone in the crowd had their own reasons for attending the rally.

Freshman Emily Burnham resents the name change seeing an underlying reason.

"I think it's counterproductive to conform to sexist ideals," Burnham said.

Senior Kathy Vi showed her support because she believes "the administration is not considering students [with their past decision]."

Supporting no name change at all, freshman Lenore Lautig said, "We would just like to be [a] college, and they can have graduate studies affiliated with the college."

Many alumni attended to show their support. "I'm an alumni and I'm a teacher," said Duke

Stableford, who graduated in 1981. "I want them to keep the tradition."

Foncie Williamson of the class of 1957 said, "We are here to support keeping the name."

Williamson said after the name change, "[Mary Washington] won't be so well off. We would have to start over again, building the reputation again."

The name change debate has plagued Mary Washington since the 1980s. In 1985, the board unanimously voted to change the school's name to Washington-Monroe College.

In order for a bill to pass, it must be sponsored by a delegate or senator, and the bill must pass both houses and be signed by the governor. The bill did not get sponsored in 1985.

The name change issue was revisited in the late 1990s. On Saturday Nov. 22, a day after the rally, the board did not change Washington and Monroe University. Now, the Board of Visitors will bring University of Mary Washington to the General Assembly.

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college tried to find a spot for her in the MWC apartments and residence halls but ended up placing her in the Cornell House. However, he would not comment on the reason.

"When Houck moved into the house, there were no first-floor rooms available in the dorms, but there were rooms available in buildings that had elevators," said Chris Porter, director of residence life. "There was a room available on the first floor of Virginia Hall but it is 'offline.' I hold the room in reserve in the event of an emergency to accommodate our current students."

Every year, so far I've had to relocate a student who has temporary mobility issues such as a serious car accident or broken leg and that is the room I use."

Because of this unusual housing arrangement, Houck's housing bill was mailed to her late.

"We were trying to figure out how to charge her, and as this was happening, her bill was sitting on my desk," Hurley said. "When the Free Lance-Star was in here, their question [of the bill] reminded me of it."

Smith was unable to give the statistics for this school year, but as of fall 2002 the total number of students with disabilities registered with the Office of Disability Services for Mary Washington College and the James Monroe Center was 253. There were 11 with mobility impairments and 102 with health impairments. Seventy-one students had special housing accommodations, such as air conditioning and single rooms.

Margaret Mock, director of news and information services, said in the article in the Free Lance-Star, "Another student lived in the Cornell House over the summer. The student, who was not enrolled in summer classes, was not charged for the housing because he was participating in the college's summer leadership program."

"All other students participating in the leadership program take summer classes and are permitted to live in residence halls without charge," she said. "The student living in Cornell was not taking classes due to an internship in Washington, but was allowed to live in Cornell

House for free because of his participation in the leadership program. He wasn't put in the residence halls because students must be taking classes to live there."

This student is senior Brian Reagan, honor council president.

"Since I am not from around here, I was looking for a place to stay since I was having difficulty looking for places that were subtlety," he said. "I was interested in staying on campus for the summer and was placed in Cornell."

This arrangement suited Reagan.

"I was elated because it gave me a chance to stay here during the summer and work on getting ready for Honor Convocation as well as commute to my internship that I had during the summer," he said.

Reagan said there were no comments made about him living in the Cornell House.



Cornell House on Sunken Road.

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involved with the contract are fulfilling the requirements set out by both sides.

"The contract specifies how many managers the contractor will have and gives the college the right to reject any general manager the contractor plans to employ for this location," Taylor said. "But other than that we have no position in the hiring."

According to Aun, Sodexho employs 110,000 people in the United States and over 270,000 worldwide with \$4.9 billion in annual sales. The company has won numerous awards for its diversity programs.

According to a press release from Sodexho on Oct. 15, Sodexho's President and CEO Michel Landel was honored as one of the 10 CEOs to receive the 2003 Diversity Best Practices CEO Leadership Award.

Aun said Landel's success directly shows that the company aims at promoting minority managers as well as using minority-owned vendors. Aun said the company denies all allegations.

"We genuinely regret if the employees felt they weren't treated fairly," she said. "Many accusations dig back to a decade ago. But today our culture is based on diversity and inclusion. It will become clear that our culture isn't discriminatory."

However, Scanlon claims there is "undeniable evidence" that Sodexho is at fault.

"We've met the standard of proof and there's enough evidence that the case is legitimate," he said.

According to the complaint, there is a large amount of both anecdotal and statistical evidence pointing at racial discrimination within the company. It also claims Sodexho has both permitted and encouraged an atmosphere in which racial minorities are often viewed as inferior to whites and as poor candidates for promotions.

The complaint maintains that despite the "racially discriminatory attitudes and behaviors by many white managers at Sodexho, these

managers have continued to advance to positions of greater power, prestige and influence in the company today, as blacks have fallen further behind."

According to the case, one white upper level manager expressed his views to another white manager that blacks are "genetically inferior to whites," that they "lived like animals" and "didn't deserve to have promotions." Complaints were made to the vice president, who did nothing about these statements.

Although the racist views of the speaker were well known by Sodexho's management, the company accepted his attitude and he was promoted at least twice while with Sodexho.

In another statement, class member Bill Michel Landel said he had been a chef for more than 34 years and was named "Chef of the Year" by the National Capital Chef's Association.

However, Snell was still only at Band 75, the lowest band in the company for managers, at the time he left the company and had repeatedly been denied promotions in favor of less qualified white managers.

The rejection of promotional opportunities for class member Ellen Early hurt herself and her family, making her feel she couldn't trust anyone and caused her to fear that her son would also be discriminated against in the workforce.

The presented statistics also outlined that according to a recent list of promotions to upper level jobs prepared by the company, only 2.4 percent went to blacks.

Meanwhile, two-thirds of the company's large accounts had no black managers and those with black managers were assigned to 81 sites that served almost entirely black clientele.

The case is to proceed to trial in 2004. According to Scanlon, Sodexho is currently considering their options. He hopes that the case will come to an end soon.

"We want a resolution," he said. "We've won every stage of the case so far. It can be solved amicably in settlement or in trial. Either way we're anxious."

Underground Turns Students Away

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equipment, Underground employees, Honor Council members and the panel of judges. That left room for no more than 50 guests to attend.

Jessica Bielecki, president of the Judicial Review Board and one of the judges at the event, expressed her frustration with the new regulation. "Fifty guests at a Battle of the Bands doesn't really constitute a good audience," she said. "It was pretty ridiculous."

For other events, moving to Great Hall isn't a viable option. The Black Student Association, which regularly holds events at the Underground each semester, voiced similar frustration with the policy.

"The thing about moving to Great Hall is that they have more space, but they don't have speakers and a sound system set up like the

Underground does," said Ted Lewis, co-president of the BSA.

Along with hosting various campus organizations' events, the Underground was the perfect venue when smaller bands came to campus.

"But with such a low occupancy, it negates that purpose," said Katy Hershberger, a sophomore employee at the Underground.

Clint Enos, president of Giant, said, "We are still doing what we can to use the UG. We are booking smaller bands or acts, or even student based bands. We're just working with what we've got."

But the Underground still has some appeal for off-campus bands. The crowd is 18 and up, rather than 21, as it is at most local clubs and bars.

"We have definitely thought about playing at the Underground and think it's a worthwhile investment even with the limited capacity,

especially since we would be able to reach the younger crowd who can't come to our other shows," said Lars Holstrom, trumpet player for McLaw's Drive. Holstrom said the band typically plays at venues like Buffalo Moe's and Orbit downtown.

In years past, the Underground usually hosted about five shows per semester. So far this semester, there have been no off-campus bands booked for the Underground, although there are two tentative shows scheduled during the last three weeks of the semester. Meredith Munoz, manager of the Underground, said they book bigger shows at an average of around \$700 plus the cost of police security at the event, and any money collected at the door comes back to the Underground. She said it wasn't rational to book bands and spend that kind of money when only 100 people could attend.

Other Underground employees, like Andrew Spaulding and Sarah Appleby, share in Munoz's frustration as they attempt to continue to book bands to play at the Underground. They see the 100 person cap as a definite deterrent as they try to bring in new bands.

Munoz said she was told by her supervisors at the beginning of the semester to hold off on booking any bands until plans for installation of a sprinkler system were decided upon.

Until any definite decisions are made regarding installation of a sprinkler system, organizations will have to consider the limitations that the new occupancy code presents and either plan accordingly and move events, or leave people waiting out in the cold.

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The student representatives Cara Slout and Any Prible are active in the save the name campaign.

"Obviously on Tuesday [the board of visitors] didn't hear what we had to say and I think we spoke pretty loudly," Prible said. "The student body voted 91 percent that we wanted Mary Washington University, and it wasn't even considered Tuesday. They didn't listen to what we had to say and I think today if they are not going to listen, at least they will be able to see us."

Slout said she was happy with the turnout. "This is truly amazing," she said. "I know it has really paid off. I know that we are this much closer to saving the name. Let's take pride in our institution."

Slout said, "I feel very passionate about saving the name Mary Washington. It was taken away in two minutes by the College Image and University Name Committee. That makes me so angry. The so-called democracy is biased and Anderson should have no say. It's all about the current students because we are the past, present and future of this institution."

Before marching across campus to the Woodard Campus Center, where the board was to meet, Watkins said, "One last note: it doesn't end here. If the board of visitors doesn't do the right thing, we will continue. Believe me, the General



Donna Hudgins, J. William Poole, Chief J.C. Snipes, Carter Hudgins, Martin Wilder, Bernard Chirico and Rick Hurley watch the rally from afar.

Assembly will listen, even if people here who are in positions of power seem unable to. It's a great co-ed school. We have great male students here. Quit selling it short."

The crowd was unable to see the board because "they snuck away in the dark," Watkins said. Despite being unable to see the board, everyone in the crowd had their own reasons for attending the rally.

Freshman Emily Burnham resents the name change seeing an underlying reason.

"I think it's counterproductive to conform to sexist ideals," Burnham said.

Senior Kathy Vi showed her support because she believes "the administration is not considering students [with their past decision]."

Supporting no name change at all, freshman Lenore Lautig said, "We would just like to be [a] college, and they can have graduate studies affiliated with the college."

Many alumni attended to show their support. "I'm an alumni and I'm a teacher," said Duke

Stableford, who graduated in 1981. "I want them to keep the tradition."

Foncie Williamson of the class of 1957 said, "We are here to support keeping the name."

Williamson said after the name change, "[Mary Washington] won't be so well off. We would have to start over again, building the reputation again."

The name change debate has plagued Mary Washington since the 1980s. In 1985, the board unanimously voted to change the school's name to Washington-Monroe College.

In order for a bill to pass, it must be sponsored by a delegate or senator, and the bill must pass both houses and be signed by the governor. The bill did not get sponsored in 1985.

The name change issue was revisited in the late 1990s. On Saturday Nov. 22, a day after the rally, the board did not change Washington and Monroe University. Now, the Board of Visitors will bring University of Mary Washington to the General Assembly.

Cornell House Occupied

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college tried to find a spot for her in the MWC apartments and residence halls but ended up placing her in the Cornell House. However, he would not comment on the reason.

"When Hock moved into the house, there were no first-floor rooms available in the dorms, but there were rooms available in buildings that had elevators," said Chris Porter, director of residence life. "There was a room available on the first floor of Virginia Hall but it is 'offline.' I hold the room in reserve in the event of an emergency to accommodate our current students."

Every year, so far I've had to relocate a student who has temporary mobility issues such as a serious car accident or broken leg and that is the room I use." Because of this unusual housing arrangement, Hock's housing bill was mailed to her late.

"We were trying to figure out how to charge her, and as this was happening, her bill was sitting on my desk," Hurley said. "When the Free Lance-Star was in here, their question [of the bill] reminded me of it."

Smith was unable to give the statistics for this school year, but as of fall 2002 the total number of students with disabilities registered with the Office of Disability Services for Mary Washington College and the James Monroe Center was 253. There were 11 with mobility impairments and 102 with health impairments. Seventy-one students had special housing accommodations, such as air conditioning and single rooms.

Margaret Mock, director of news and information services, said in the article in the Free Lance-Star, "Another student lived in the Cornell House over the summer. The student, who was not enrolled in summer classes, was not charged for the housing because he was participating in the college's summer leadership program."

"All other students participating in the leadership program take summer classes and are permitted to live in residence halls without charge," she said. "The student living in Cornell was not taking classes due to an internship in Washington, but was allowed to live in Cornell House for free because of his participation in the leadership program. He wasn't put in the residence halls because students must be taking classes to live there."

This student is senior Brian Reagan, honor council president.

"Since I am not from around here, I was looking for a place to stay since I was having difficulty looking for places that were subtlety," he said. "I was interested in staying on campus for the summer and was placed in Cornell."

This arrangement suited Reagan. "I was elated because it gave me a chance to stay here during the summer and work on getting ready for Honor Convocation as well as commute to my internship that I had during the summer," he said.

Reagan said there were no comments made about him living in the Cornell House.



Cornell House on Sunken Road.

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involved with the contract are fulfilling the requirements set out by both sides.

"The contract specifies how many managers the contractor will have and gives the college the right to reject any general manager the contractor plans to employ for this location," Taylor said. "But other than that we have no position in the hiring."

According to Aun, Sodexho employs 110,000 people in the United States and over 270,000 worldwide with \$4.9 billion in annual sales. The company has won numerous awards for its diversity programs.

According to a press release from Sodexho on Oct. 15, Sodexho's President and CEO Michel Landel was honored as one of the 10 CEOs to receive the 2003 Diversity Best Practices CEO Leadership Award.

Aun said Landel's success directly shows that the company aims at promoting minority managers as well as using minority-owned vendors. Aun said the company denies all allegations.

"We genuinely regret if the employees felt they weren't treated fairly," she said. "Many accusations dig back to a decade ago. But today our culture is based on diversity and inclusion. It will become clear that our culture isn't discriminatory."

However, Scanlon claims there is "undeniable evidence" that Sodexho is at fault.

"We've met the standard of proof and there's enough evidence that the case is legitimate," he said.

According to the complaint, there is a large amount of both anecdotal and statistical evidence pointing at racial discrimination within the company. It also claims Sodexho has both permitted and encouraged an atmosphere in which racial minorities are often viewed as inferior to whites and as poor candidates for promotions.

The complaint maintains that despite the racially discriminatory attitudes and behaviors by many white managers at Sodexho, these

managers have continued to advance to positions of greater power, prestige and influence in the company today, as blacks have fallen further behind.

According to the case, one white upper level manager expressed his views to another white manager that blacks are "genetically inferior to whites," that they "lived like animals" and "didn't deserve to have promotions." Complaints were made to the vice president, who did nothing about these statements.

Although the racist views of the speaker were well known by Sodexho's management, the company accepted his attitude and he was promoted at least twice while with Sodexho.

In another statement, class member Bill Michel Landel said he had been a chef for more than 34 years and was named "Chef of the Year" by the National Capital Chef's Association.

However, Snell was still only at Band 75, the lowest band in the company for managers, at the time he left the company and had repeatedly been denied promotions in favor of less qualified white managers.

The rejection of promotional opportunities for class member Ellen Early hurt herself and her family, making her feel she couldn't trust anyone and caused her to fear that her son would also be discriminated against in the workforce.

The presented statistics also outlined that according to a recent list of promotions to upper level jobs prepared by the company, only 2.4 percent went to blacks.

Meanwhile, two-thirds of the company's large accounts had no black managers and those with black managers were assigned to 81 sites that served almost entirely black clientele.

The case is to proceed to trial in 2004. According to Scanlon, Sodexho is currently considering their options. He hopes that the case will come to an end soon.

"We want a resolution," he said. "We've won every stage of the case so far. It can be solved amicably in settlement or in trial. Either way we're anxious."

Underground Turns Students Away

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equipment, Underground employees, Honor Council members and the panel of judges. That left room for no more than 50 guests to attend.

Jessica Bielecki, president of the Judicial Review Board and one of the judges at the event, expressed her frustration with the new regulation. "Fifty guests at a Battle of the Bands doesn't really constitute a good audience," she said. "It was pretty ridiculous."

For other events, moving to Great Hall isn't a viable option. The Black Student Association, which regularly holds events at the Underground each semester, voiced similar frustration with the policy.

"The thing about moving to Great Hall is that they have more space, but they don't have speakers and a sound system set up like the

Underground does," said Ted Lewis, co-president of the BSA.

Along with hosting various campus organizations' events, the Underground was the perfect venue when smaller bands came to campus.

"But with such a low occupancy, it negates that purpose," said Katy Hershberger, a sophomore employee at the Underground.

Clint Enos, president of Giant, said, "We are still doing what we can to use the UG. We are booking smaller bands or acts, or even student based bands. We're just working with what we've got."

But the Underground still has some appeal for off-campus bands. The crowd is 18 and up, rather than 21, as it is at most local clubs and bars.

"We have definitely thought about playing at the Underground and think it's a worthwhile investment even with the limited capacity,

especially since we would be able to reach the younger crowd who can't come to our other shows," said Lars Holstrom, trumpet player for McLaw's Drive. Holstrom said the band typically plays at venues like Buffalo Moe's and Orbit downtown.

In years past, the Underground usually hosted about five shows per semester. So far this semester, there have been no off-campus bands booked for the Underground, although there are two tentative shows scheduled during the last three weeks of the semester. Meredith Munoz, manager of the Underground, said they book bigger shows at an average of around \$700 plus the cost of police security at the event, and any money collected at the door comes back to the Underground. She said it wasn't rational to book bands and spend that kind of money when only 100 people could attend.

Other Underground employees, like Andrew Spaulding and Sarah Appleby, share in Munoz's frustration as they attempt to continue to book bands to play at the Underground. They see the 100 person cap as a definite deterrent as they try to bring in new bands.

Munoz said she was told by her supervisors at the beginning of the semester to hold off on booking any bands until plans for installation of a sprinkler system were decided upon.

Until any definite decisions are made regarding installation of a sprinkler system, organizations will have to consider the limitations that the new occupancy code presents and either plan accordingly and move events, or leave people waiting out in the cold.

"It's going to be a problem for any club or organization's planning until it's all figured out," Munoz said.